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OF

## BUSINESS TRANSACTED

BY THE

## PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA

DURING

First Session, 1997

WITH

**Appendices Containing Daily Bulletins  
and Committees of the Vidhan Sabha**



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PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT, CHANDIGARH

JULY, 1997



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## PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Budget (First) Session, 1997 held from 3rd March, 1997 to 20th March, 1997 together with the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above-mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

CHANDIGARH :

The 28th July, 1997.

UJAGAR SINGH,

Secretary.





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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an order of the Governor, dated the 18th February, 1997 to meet for its First Session in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, at 2.00 P.M. on the 3rd March, 1997, and it continued to meet till the 20th March, 1997 when it adjourned *sine die*. It was later prorogued by an order of the Governor, dated the 28th April, 1997.

During the session, the Sabha held 10 sittings.

## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme Observed
Monday, the 3rd March, 1997 (2.00 P.M. to 4.37 P.M.)	Oath or Affirmation by the Members
Tuesday, the 4th March, 1997 (9.00 A.M. to 10.01 A.M.)	(i) Oath or Affirmation by the Members (ii) Election of Speaker
Wednesday, the 5th March, 1997 (11.00 A.M.)	Governor's Address to the Members of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha
Wednesday, the 5th March, 1997 (2.00 P.M. to 2.30 P.M.)	Obituary references to the deaths of-- 1. Sardar Teja Singh Dhillon, Former Minister of State, Punjab. 2. Shri Brahm Dutt Dwivedi, Former Minister, Uttar Pradesh. 3. Shri Ram Partap Garg, Ex-MP. 4. Shri Manga Singh, Ex-MLA. 5. Sardar Suhail Singh, Freedom Fighter. 6. Shri Kumar Vikal, Hindi Writer. 7. Victims of Malta Boat Tragedy. 8. Victims of Orissa Fire Tragedy.
Thursday, the 6th March, 1997 (9.00 A.M. to 1.33 P.M.)	(i) Presentation and adoption of the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee. (ii) Non-Official Resolution—



Date	Programme / Observed
	<p>(1) "WHEREAS in the year 1699 a divine and unique event occurred in the history of the World when Sahib Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji spread a message of "Oneness of the Mankind" by creating KHALSA on the holy land of Shri Anandpur Sahib by administering the nectar for immortality 'The Amrit';</p> <p>AND WHEREAS the 300th Anniversary of this great event falls in the year 1999;</p> <p>THEREFORE, this House recommends to the Government of India to take steps to approach the U.N.O. to declare the year 1999 as the 'Year of Human Spirit' and celebrate it in a collective manner inter-religiously to commemorate the 300th Anniversary of this great event in order to spread His message of "Oneness of Mankind" throughout the World". ( Passed unanimously )</p> <p>(2) "This House recommends to the State Government to take steps to make special arrangements to check the menace of stray cattle causing road accidents and damage to crops". (Talked out)</p>
Friday, the 7th March, 1997	Holiday
Saturday, the 8th March, 1997	Holiday
Sunday, the 9th March, 1997	Holiday
Monday, the 10th March, 1997 (2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)	Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address (Continued on the 11th March, 1997).
Tuesday, the 11th March, 1997 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	(i) Oath or affirmation by Sardar Arjan Singh Josh, MLA.

Date	Programme Observed
Wednesday, the 12th March, 1997 (9.00 A.M. to 2.42 P.M.)	<p>(ii) Resumption of discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address (continued on the 12th March, 1997).</p> <p>(i) Obituary reference to the death of Sardar Jagjit Singh, eminent Sikh Historian and Freedom Fighter.</p> <p>(ii) Presentation and adoption of the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.</p> <p>(iii) Resumption of discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address.</p>
<p>Thursday, the 13th March, 1997</p> <p>Friday, the 14th March, 1997</p>	<p>(Passed)</p> <p>Off days</p>
<p>Saturday, the 15th March, 1997</p> <p>Sunday, the 16th March, 1997</p>	Holidays
Monday, the 17th March, 1997	Off day
Tuesday, the 18th March, 1997 (2.00 P.M. to 3.54 P.M.)	<p>(i) Obituary reference to the victims of Bomb blast near Railway Station, Jalandhar on 14.3.1997.</p> <p>(ii) Presentation of Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab 1996-97.</p> <p>(iii) Discussion and Voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1996-97.</p> <p>(iv) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1997.</p>
Wednesday, the 19th March, 1997 (9.00 A.M. to 10.17 A.M.)	<p>(Passed)</p> <p>(i) Presentation of Vote-on-Account for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab 1997-98.</p>

Date	Programme Observed
Thursday, the 20th March, 1997 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	(ii) Motion regarding Vote-on-Account for three months— "That Vote-on-account for three months (viz April, May and June, 1997) amounting to Rs. 3915,42,21,000 as in the Schedule, be taken into consideration at once and passed". (Carried)
	(iii) The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1997. (Passed)
	(i) Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly <i>sine-die</i> .
	(ii) Motion regarding constitution of Elected Committees for the year 1997-98. (Carried)
	(iii) Non-Official Resolutions—
(1) "This House recommends to the State Government to approach the Union Government to waive the entire loan amounting to Rupees 8400 crores given to the State in recent years to combat militancy and face the proxy war from across the border which was a national problem since it is not possible for the State to repay this huge loan."	(Passed Unanimously)
	(2) "This House recommends to the State Government to approach the Union Government to take immediate steps to suitably amend the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970 (Central Act 16 of 1970) with a view to provide adequate representation to the teaching community in the Governing Bodies of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana." (Talked out)



### 3. ELECTION OF SPEAKER

The Vidhan Sabha elected Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, as Speaker on the 4th March, 1997.

### 4. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 6th March, 1997, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly):--

1. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, MLA.
2. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, MLA.
3. Shri O.P. Soni, MLA.
4. Shri Sat Pal Gosain, MLA.

### 5. GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

The Governor addressed the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on 5th March, 1997.

The Speaker laid a copy of the Governor's Address on the Table of the House on the 6th March, 1997.

The Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address was moved by Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, MLA on the 10th March, 1997 which was seconded by Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA on the same day.

The motion was discussed--

10th March, 1997	For 161 minutes (Treasury Benches 137 minutes and Congress 24 minutes).
11th March, 1997	For 200 minutes (Treasury Benches 121 minutes and Congress 79 minutes).
12th March, 1997	For 279 minutes (Treasury Benches 228 minutes, Congress 15 minutes, BSP 15 minutes and CPI 21 minutes).

30 Members took part in the discussion, 23 from Treasury Benches (including the mover/seconded of the Motion and the Chief Minister), 5 from Congress and one

each from BSP and CPI, speaking for 640 minutes, 118 minutes, 15 minutes and 21 minutes respectively.

The motion was carried on the 12th March, 1997.

It was communicated by the Speaker on the 15th March, 1997 to the Governor.

## 6. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on the dates mentioned against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the deceased	Date on which reference was made
1.	Sardar Teja Singh Dhillon, Former Minister of State, Punjab.	5.3.97
2.	Shri Brahm Dutt Dwivedi, Former Minister, Uttar Pradesh.	
3.	Shri Ram Partap Garg, Ex-MP.	
4.	Shri Manga Singh, Ex-MLA.	
5.	Sardar Suhail Singh, Freedom Fighter.	
6.	Shri Kumar Vikal, Hindi Writer.	
7.	Victims of Malta Boat Tragedy.	
8.	Victims of Orissa Fire Tragedy.	
9.	Sardar Jagjit Singh, Eminent Sikh Historian and Freedom Fighter.	12.3.97
10.	Victims of Bomb Blast near Railway Station, Jalandhar on 14.3.97.	18.3.97

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased on all the occasions.

## 7. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

**I. Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1996-97.**

(i) The Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1996-97 were presented to the Sabha on the 18th March, 1997 and these were discussed and voted on the same day.

There were 23 Demands in all totalling a sum of Rs. 3,346,31,08,000.

In accordance with the past practice, a general discussion on all the Supplementary demands together was permitted on 18th March, 1997. One Member from CPI Spoke for seven minutes. The Demands were put to the vote of the House and carried.

(ii) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1997 (No. 1-PLA-97) in respect of the Supplementary Demands voted upon by the Sabha on the 18th March, 1997 and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab was introduced on the 18th March, 1997.

It was before the House for 10 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the 18th March, 1997.

**II. THE VOTE-ON-ACCOUNT BUDGET 1997-98**

(For three months i.e. April, May, and June, 1997)

(i) The Vote-on-Account Budget, 1996-97 (For three months i.e. April, May and June, 1997) was presented to the Vidhan Sabha on the 19th March, 1997 and discussed and voted upon on the same day.

On the Motion moved by the Finance Minister that Vote-on-Account for three months (viz. April, May and June, 1997) amounting to Rs. 3915,42,21,000 as in the attached Schedule, be taken into consideration at once and passed.

(ii) The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1997.

The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1997, (Bill No. 2-PLA-97) in respect of Vote-on-Account for three months i.e. April, May and June, 1997, was introduced on the 19th March, 1997.

It was before the House for 10 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the same day.

## **8. LEGISLATION**

The Sabha transacted legislative business on 18th and 19th March, 1997.

### **(i) Official Bills**

The Sabha passed two Bills in all i.e. the Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1997 and the Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1997. Both the Bills were passed without any discussion.

### **(ii) Non-official Bills**

Nil

## **9. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA**

### **1. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1997 (Introduced and passed on 18th March, 1997)**

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of the sums required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by the Legislative Assembly for the expenditure for the financial year 1996-97.

### **2. The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-account) Bill, 1997. (Introduced and passed on 19th March, 1997.)**

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of all moneys required to meet the expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund and the grants made in advance by the Legislative Assembly in respect of the estimated expenditure of the State Government, for a part of the financial year 1997-98.

## 10. RESOLUTIONS

### (i) Official

The following Resolution was moved on the 20th March, 1997, by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs:

"WHEREAS the election to the

1. Committee on Public Accounts;
2. Committee on Estimates;
3. Committee on Public Undertakings; and
4. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes,

for the year 1997-98, are to be held before the 31st March, 1997; and

WHEREAS the time left at the disposal of the House is extremely short and it is not possible to conduct in the normal course, the election to these Committees;

NOW, therefore, this House authorises the Speaker Punjab Vidhan Sabha, to nominate the Members of the aforesaid Committees for the aforesaid year, keeping in view the proportionate strength of various parties/groups in the House;

This House further resolves that for the above purpose, the rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) relating to the elections to the said Committees for the year 1997-98 which are inconsistent with or contrary to the above Resolution, shall stand suspended."

The Resolution was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

## (ii) Non-Official

Sr. No.	Total	Treasury Benches	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD (Mann)	Inde- pendent
1. Number of Notices received	91	6	68	17	--	--	--
2. Number of Notices Admitted	77	6	56	15	--	--	--
3. Number of Notices disallowed	13	--	12	1	--	--	--
4. Number of Resolutions for ballot	77	6	56	15	--	--	--
5. Total Number of Resolutions which lapsed on prorogation	55	--	44	11	--	--	--
6. Number of ballots held	1						
7. Date on which business other than Government business was transacted	6-3-97 & 20-3-97.						
8. Date on which ballot was held	19-3-97.						

On Thursday, the 6th March, 1997 Shri Jagdish Sawhney, MLA moved the following Resolution :--

**"WHEREAS in the year 1699 a divine and unique event occurred in the history of the world when Sahib Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji spread a message of "Oneness of the mankind" by creating KHALSA on the holy land of Sri Anandpur Sahib by administering the nectar for immortality, 'The Amrit';**

AND WHEREAS the 300th Anniversary of this great event falls in the year 1999;

THEREFORE, this House recommends to the Government of India to take steps to approach the U.N.O. to declare the year 1999 as the "Year of Human Spirit" and celebrate it in a collective manner inter-religiously to commemorate the 300th Anniversary of this great event in order to spread his message of "Oneness of mankind" throughout the World."

The Resolution was discussed in the House for 2 hours and 16 minutes. 15 Members from the Treasury Benches one from Indian National Congress, one from C.P.I. and one from Akali Dal (Mann) participated in the debate and spoke for 1 hour 46 minutes, 18 minutes, 9 minutes and 3 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

On Thursday, the 6th March, 1997 Shri Hardev Arshi, MLA moved the following Resolution :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to take steps to make special arrangements to check the menace of stray cattle causing road accidents and damage to crops."

The Resolution was discussed in the House for 1 hour 1 minute; Ten members from the Treasury Benches, one from I.N.C., one from CPI and one from Akali Dal (Mann) spoke for 37 minutes, 5 minutes, 17 minutes and 2 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was talked out.

On Thursday, the 20th March, 1997 Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, MLA moved the following Resolution :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to approach the Union Government to waive the entire loan amounting to Rupees 8400 crores given to the State in recent years to combat militancy and face a proxy war from across the border which was a national problem since it is not possible for the State to repay the huge loan."



The Resolution was discussed in the House for 1 hour 56 minutes. Hon'ble Food & Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs Minister and 9 Members from Treasury Benches, one from I.N.C., one from CPI, one from Akali Dal (Mann) and one from BSP participated in the debate and spoke for one hour 15 minutes, 17 minutes, 17 minutes, 2 minutes and 5 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was put to the Vote of the House and carried unanimously.

On Thursday, the 20th March, 1997 Sardar Gurcharan Singh Dirba, MLA moved the following Resolution :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to approach the Union Government to take immediate steps to suitably amend the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970 (Central Act 16 of 1970) with a view to provide adequate representation to the teaching community in the Governing Bodies of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana."

The Resolution was discussed in the House for 41 minutes. 3 Members from the Treasury Benches, one from I.N.C. and one from C.P.I. participated in the debate and spoke for 19 minutes, 11 minutes and 11 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was talked out.

# 11. PAPERS LAID

Sr. No.	By whom laid	Date on which laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.	6-5-97	(i) The Punjab Panchayat Election (First Amendment) Rules, 1996, as required under Section 139(3) of the Punjab State Election Commission Act, 1994.

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- (ii) The Annual Report of Punjab Police Housing Corporation Ltd., for the year 1994-95, as required under Section 619-A(3) of the Companies Act, 1956.
- (iii) The Annual Report-cum-Balance Sheets of the Punjab Energy Development Agency for the years 1993-94 and 1994-95.
- (iv) The Annual Financial Statement of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 61 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
2. Minister 18-5-97 for Parlia-  
mentary  
Affairs
- (i) The Punjab State Legal Services Authorities Rules, 1996, as required under sub-section (2) of Section 30 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.
- (ii) The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1994-95, as required under Section 75 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
- (iii) The Fifteenth Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1990-91 as required under Section 619-A (3) of the Companies Act, 1956.
- (iv) The Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts of the Goindwal Industrial & Investment Corpn. of Punjab Ltd. for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96.
- (v) The Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Reports/Accounts of the Punjab Small Industries

1	2	3	4
			and Export Corporation Ltd. for the years 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96.
3. Minister for Parlia- mentary Affairs.	20-3-97	(i) Government of Punjab Finance Accounts 1995-96. (ii) Government of Punjab Appropria- tion Accounts 1995-96; (iii) Report of Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1995-96 (Civil); (iv) Report of Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1995-96 (Commercial); and (v) Report of Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1995-96 (Revenue-Receipts); (vi) The 12th Annual Report of the Punjab Khadi and Village Indus- tries Board for the year 1994-95.	

## 12. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Sr. No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	Speaker	6-3-97	First Report of the Business Advisory Com- mittee.
2.	-Do-	12-3-97	Second Report of the Business Advisory Com- mittee.

## 13. QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE

Notices of two Privilege Motions were received. However the following one was disposed of in the House :--

Sr. Date No.	Member (s) giving notice	Subject-matter	Remarks
1. 6-3-97	Shri Hardev Arshi	Divulgence of the decisions taken in the meeting of the Business Advisory Committee held on 4th March, 1997 to the Press by the Finance Minister.	The Speaker observed that as per well established parliamentary convention, the Members of the Business Advisory Committee should not divulge the minutes/decisions of the Committee to the Press until its report is presented to and adopted by the House.  However, in view of the regrets expressed by the Finance Minister, the consent to the Question of Privilege being raised, was refused.

## 14. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. Minister/Member No. moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject	Decision/ Remarks
1. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	6-3-1997	6-3-1997	Adoption of the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
2. Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, MLA	10-3-1997	10-3-1997 11-3-1997 12-3-1997	Motion of Thanks for the Address delivered by the Governor on 5th March, 1997.	Carried on 12-3-1997

Sr. Minister/Member No. moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject	Decision/ Remarks
3. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	12-3-1997	12-3-1997	Adoption of the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
4. -Do-	20-3-1997	20-3-1997	Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of House sine-die.	Carried

# 15. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 66

In all, 37 notices of calling attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these, 11 were admitted. The details of the admitted notices which were taken up in the House are given below. Call Attention Notices Nos. 36 & 37 lapsed on the prorogation of the House on 28th April, 1997.

The rest were disallowed by the Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other.

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member(s) calling attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	1 and 2	(i) Shri Hardev Arshi (ii) Master Mohan Lal	6-3-1997	Regarding great resentment amongst the parents of victims belonging to Punjab State in Malta Boat Tragedy which occurred on 25th December, 1996 due to non-payment of any compensation.	The Chief Minister made a statement.
2.	4	Shri Nand Lal	6-3-1997	Regarding great resentment amongst the residents of various villages in Tehsil Balachaur, District Nawanshahr on account of acute shortage of drinking water even in winter season.	The Food and Supplies and Public Health Minister made a statement
3.	6	Shri Hardev Arshi	6-3-1997	Regarding great resentment amongst the people of the State on account of steep increase in the price of atta and its non-availability through Public Distribution System.	-do-

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member(s) calling attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
4.	16	(i) Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, (ii) Shri Hardev Arshi	11-3-1997	Regarding inconvenience being faced by the students and farmers due to non-supply of power for the last one month in about 90 villages of District Ferozepur.	The Chief Minister made a statement.
5.	17	Shri Hardev Arshi	11-3-1997	Regarding great resentment prevailing amongst the residents of four dozen villages of Boha area of District Mansa on account of acute shortage of drinking water.	The Minister for Public Health made a statement.
6.	21	(i) Shri Hardev Arshi (ii) Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta	12-3-1997	Regarding great resentment amongst the farmers of 68 villages of Tehsil Mukerian, District Hoshiarpur for being defrauded by various irregularities being committed by the Oswal Sugar Mills, Mukerian (Hoshiarpur).	The Minister for Agriculture made a statement
7.	23	(i) Shri Hardev Arshi. (ii) Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta.	12-3-1997	Regarding resentment amongst the farmers of Budhlada Sub-division due to non-lifting of their sugarcane by the Sugar Mills at Patran and Faridkot.	The Minister for Agriculture made a statement
8.	35	(i) S. Bikramjit Singh Khalsa (ii) Ch. Swarna Ram (iii) Shrimati Roop Rani	20-3-1997	Regarding injustice being done to P.C.M.S. Officers belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in their promotions to the posts of Civil Surgeons in the State	The Minister for Health and Family Welfare made a statement.



### 16. STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

The Chief Minister/Ministers made a total number of 8 statements. All of them were made in reply to the Call Attention Notices.

### 17. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

Number of speeches made by							Time taken by						
Treasury Benches		Mem- bers	Mem- bers	Mem- bers	Mem- bers	Indepen- dents	Treasury Benches		Mem- bers	Mem- bers	Mem- bers	Mem- bers	Indepen- dents
Members excluding Ministers		of I.N.C.	of C.P.I.	of B.S.P.	of S.A.D.(M)		Members excluding Ministers	Ministers	of I.N.C.	of C.P.I.	of B.S.P.	of S.A.D.(M)	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
57	12	12	12	2	6	--	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.
56.43	11.88	11.88	11.88	1.99	5.94	--	9.39	3.04	3.25	1.53	0.20	0.15	--
Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	51.88	16.49	18.37	10.13	1.79	1.34	--
							Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent

Notes :- (1) Observations/Statements, Rulings, etc., by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the statement.

(3) Time taken on Privilege Motions, Call Attention Notices, Points of Order, Motions in respect of Legislation, Congratulatory Speeches, Presentation of Reports and other papers, etc. is also excluded from the statement.

## 18. FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1. Total No. of sittings of the Sabha	10
2. Total No. of notices of questions received	
Starred _____	489
Unstarred _____	124
3. Total No. of Short Notice questions received	--
4. Total No. of sittings at which questions were not taken up.	3
5. Total No. of Members from whom notices were received.	40
6. Total No. of questions to which oral answers were given.	87
7. Largest No. of questions orally answered on any one day (18-3-1997)	16
8. Least No. of questions orally answered on any one day (6-3-1997).	4
9. Total No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred questions.	--
10. Total No. of Unstarred Questions replied to.	22
11. Total No. of Starred Questions postponed.	9
12. Largest No. of Questions addressed to any one Minister on any one day (C.M. on 10-3-1997, 11-3-1997 and 18-3-1997).	9
13. Largest No. of Questions orally answered by any one Minister on any one day. (C.M. on 10-3-1997 and 11-3-1997).	9

# 19. QUESTIONS

## STATEMENT

Type of questions	No. of Notices received	No. of admitted questions	No. of disallowed/ referred back questions	No. of Questions postponed	No. of questions not put	No. of questions answered	No. of S.Q. treated as Unstarred	No. of Questions deemed to have been answered under Rule 38	No. of Questions withdrawn	No. of Supplementary mentaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Starred	489	343	146	9	4	87	37	3	2	225
Unstarred	124	82	42	2	--	22	--	--	--	--
Short Notice	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

**20. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS  
ANSWERED, DATEWISE AND PARTYWISE**

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	IND
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
6-3-97	--	2	--	2	--	--	--
10-3-97	5	2	4	4	--	--	--
11-3-97	4	2	4	4	--	--	--
12-3-97	6	--	--	4	--	--	--
18-3-97	8	2	3	3	--	--	--
19-3-97	8	2	1	3	--	--	--
20-3-97	10	3	--	--	1	--	--

21. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO  
HAVE BEEN ANSWERED, UNDER RULE 38, DATEWISE AND PARTYWISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	IND
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
6-3-97	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
10-3-97	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
11-3-97	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
12-3-97	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
18-3-97	2	--	--	1	--	--	--
19-3-97	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
20-3-97	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

22. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS  
IN THE NAMES OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS, DATEWISE

Date	Chief Minister	Local Govt. & Health Minister	Co-operation Minister	Rev. & Rehabilitation Minister	Agriculture, Welfare of SC. & B.Cs Minister	Food & Supplies Minister	Finance Minister	Housing & Urban Dev. Minister	Tech. Education and Training Minister	Rural Development and Panchayats Minister
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
6-3-1997	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--
10-3-1997	9	4	--	1	2	1	--	1	--	--
11-3-1997	9	--	2	2	1	--	--	--	--	--
12-3-1997	6	1	1	--	2	--	--	--	--	--
18-3-1997	9	2	--	1	4	1	--	--	--	2
19-3-1997	8	2	1	1	2	1	1	--	--	2
20-3-1997	11	3	2	1	1	1	--	1	--	--

23. STATEMENT REGARDING STARRED QUESTION POSTPONED FROM SOME OF THE ABOVE  
QUESTIONS WHICH WERE INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF POSTPONED STARRED QUESTIONS

Date	Chief Minister	Local Govt. & Health Minister	Co-opera- tion Minister	Rev. & Rehabi- litation Minister	Agriculture Minister	Food & Supplies Minister	Finance Minister	Housing & Urban Dev. Minister	Tech. Educa- tion and Indl. Training Minister	Rural Develop- ment and Panchayat Minister
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
18-3-1997	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--



24. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS  
POSTPONED, DATEWISE AND PARTYWISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	IND
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
6-3-1997	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
10-3-1997	1	--	--	--	--	--	--
11-3-1997	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
12-3-1997	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
18-3-1997	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
19-3-1997	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
20-3-1997	4	1	1	--	--	--	--

## 25. WALK-OUTS

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) walking out	Occasion
1.	6th March, 1997	Members of the Communist Party of India, present in the House, and all the Members of the Congress Party, present in the House.	As a protest against the unwillingness of the Government to pass the Resolution.
2.	10th March, 1997	Members of Communist Party of India, present in the House.	As a protest for not allowing them to speak during the 'Zero Hour'.
3.	12th March, 1997	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh, S.A.D.(M).	As a protest for not allowing him to speak.
4.	19th March, 1997	All the Members of the Opposition Parties--Indian National Congress, Communist Party of India, Bahujan Samaj Party and Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann), present in the House.	As a protest against not being satisfied with the reply of the Chief Minister regarding conducting an enquiry into the death of Kashmir Singh.

## APPENDIX I

## 26. BULLETINS

(Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha held during its Budget (First) Session 1997.)

## BULLETIN NO. 1

(Monday, the 3rd March, 1997)

(From 2.00 p.m. to 4.37 p.m.)

**1. Announcement by the Secretary :**

The Secretary made the following announcement :--

"I have the honour to inform the House that the Governor has been pleased to appoint Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by virtue of Article 188 of the Constitution of India, to be the person before whom every Member of the 11th Punjab Vidhan Sabha, shall, before taking his/her seat, make and subscribe the prescribed oath/affirmation.

I have also the honour to inform the House that the Governor has been pleased to appoint Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, M.L.A., in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by virtue of clause (1) of Article 180 of the Constitution of India, to perform the duties of the office of the Speaker of the 11th Punjab Vidhan Sabha till the election of the Speaker is held under Article 178."

**2. Good Wishes by the Speaker Pro-Tem :**

The Speaker Pro-Tem while welcoming the Hon. Members elected for the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha desired that all Members would extend full cooperation to the Chair to maintain the well-established traditions of this august House and to strengthen the roots of Parliamentary democracy in the State. He expressed good wishes for the strenuous efforts to be made by them in this regard.

### 3. Information by the Speaker Pro-Tem :

The Speaker Pro-Tem gave the following information to the House :--

"This is for the information of the Hon. Members of this House that Sardar Parkash Singh Badal, Chief Minister, was elected from the two constituencies of Punjab Vidhan Sabha i.e. Qila Raipur (District Ludhiana) and Lambi (District Muktsar). According to Rules, he has to represent from one constituency in the Vidhan Sabha. Therefore, he had sent his resignation to the Vidhan Sabha Secretariat from Qila Raipur Constituency seat (District Ludhiana) with effect from the 18th February, 1997.

The Speaker has accepted the resignation of Sardar Parkash Singh Badal from Qila Raipur constituency with effect from 18th February, 1997."

### 4. Announcement by the Secretary :

The Secretary made the following announcement :--

"Before making the request to the Hon'ble Members for taking oath, I lay on the Table of the House, a copy of the Notification dated 12th February, 1997, issued by the Chief Election Commissioner of India showing the names of the Members of the Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha duly elected in General Elections of 1997."

### 5. Oath or Affirmation by the Members :

The Hon'ble Members were administered oath, one by one, in the following order :--

1. Leader of the House, the Chief Minister.
2. Hon'ble Ministers.
3. Hon'ble Lady Members.
4. Remaining Hon'ble Members district-wise.

104 Members took the oath in Punjabi, three Hon. Members took the oath in Hindi, 3 Hon. Members took the oath in English while one Hon'ble Member took the oath in Urdu.

The House, then, adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 4th March, 1997.

## BULLETIN NO. 2

(Tuesday, the 4th March, 1997)

(From 9.00 A.M. to 10.01 A.M.)

**1. Oath or Affirmation by the Members :**

The following three Members, present in the House, took oath in Punjabi :--

1. Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)
2. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu (S.A.D.)
3. Sardar Tara Singh Ladal (S.A.D.)

**2. Election of Speaker :**

The Hon'ble Chief Minister moved that Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, M.L.A., who is a Member of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha and who is present in the House, be elected as the Speaker of this Vidhan Sabha.

Shri Madan Mohan Mittal, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs seconded the Motion.

Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal also supported the motion.

As the name of no other Member was proposed for the office of the Speaker, Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal was declared elected as Speaker unanimously.

**3. Congratulatory Speeches :**

First of all, the Hon'ble Chief Minister felicitated Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal on his being elected as Speaker unanimously. Thereafter, the following Hon'ble Ministers/Members made congratulatory speeches :-

1. Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, Minister for Local Government and Health and Family Welfare and Medical Education.
2. Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (Indian National Congress).
3. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu (Shiromani Akali Dal).
4. Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal, Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes.

5. Comrade Hardev Arshi (C.P.I.)
6. Shri Om Parkash Soni (Independent)
7. Master Mohan Lal (B.J.P.)
8. Raja Narinder Singh (S.A.D.)
9. Shri Charanji Lal Garg (S.A.D.)
10. Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla (B.J.P.)
11. Shri Satya Pal Saini (B.J.P.)
12. Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh (S.A.D.)
13. Sardar Tota Singh (S.A.D.)
14. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh (S.A.D. Mann)

Thereafter, the Speaker thanked the Leader of the House, Sardar Parkash Singh Badal and other representative Parties and Members of the House for their felicitations. He assured that he will always be impartial, honest and will follow the democratic principles in the conduct of the Proceedings of the House.

#### **4. Nomination of the Business Advisory Committee :**

The Hon'ble Speaker nominated the following Members to serve on the Business Advisory Committee under Rule 208 (1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha :--

1. Shri Madan Mohan Mittal, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs
2. Capt. Kanwaljit Singh, Finance Minister
3. Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal
4. Com. Hardev Arshi
5. Sardar Danwant Singh

#### **Special Invitees :**

1. Raja Narinder Singh
2. Sardar Sujan Singh
3. Shri Jagdish Sawhney.

The House, then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Wednesday the 5th March, 1997.

### BULLETIN NO. 3

(Wednesday, the 5th March, 1997)

(From 2.00 P.M. to 2.30 P.M.)

#### Obituary References :

The Chief Minister made references to the deaths of the following :--

1. Sardar Teja Singh Dhillon, Ex-State Minister, Punjab.
2. Shri Braham Dutt Devedi, Ex-Minister, Uttar Pradesh.
3. Shri Ram Partap Garg, Ex-M.P.
4. Shri Manga Singh, Ex-M.L.A.
5. Sardar Suhail Singh, Freedom Fighter.
6. Shri Kumar Vikal, Hindi Writer.
7. Victims of Malta Boat Tragedy.
8. Victims of Orissa Fire Tragedy.

He expressed deep grief on the sad demise of the above mentioned personalities. While paying homages to the deceased, he also made reference of the services rendered by Sardar Basant Singh Khalsa, Ex-Minister, Punjab and M.P. He urged that messages of condolences should be sent to the bereaved families on behalf of the House. He also urged that the House should be adjourned today after paying homages to the deceased without transacting any business. While doing so, he spoke for seven minutes.

Thereafter, the following Hon'ble Members paid homages to the deceased persons and spoke for the time indicated against each :--

- |   |    |           |
|---|----|-----------|
| 1. Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal<br>(I.N.C.) | .. | 6 Minutes |
| 2. Comrade Hardev Arshi (C.P.I.)              | .. | 6 Minutes |
| 3. Raja Narinder Singh (S.A.D.)               | .. | 4 Minutes |
| 4. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh (S.A.D.)<br>(Mann) | .. | 4 Minutes |



The Hon'ble Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members with regard to the obituaries of the said deceased persons. He also expressed his deep grief as also on behalf of the House, on the deaths of children and other persons who had died due to falling of a bus in a canal of Haryana. It was decided that the messages of condolences be sent to the bereaved families.

The House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

Thereafter, the House adjourned without transacting any other business till 9.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 6th March, 1997.

#### BULLETIN NO. 4

(Thursday, the 6th March, 1997)

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.33 P.M.)

#### 1. Questions :

##### (a) Starred

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of supplementaries
4	4	-	-	19

##### (b) Unstarred - nil

#### 2. Announcement by the Speaker :

##### (A) Governor's Address :

In pursuance of Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, the Speaker informed that the Governor had been pleased to deliver an Address to the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on 5th March, 1997, under Article 176(1) of the Constitution of India.

A copy of the Address was laid on the Table of the House.

### **(B) Panel of Chairmen :**

The Speaker nominated the following Members to serve on the Panel of Chairmen under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly :--

1. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam
2. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
3. Shri Sat Pal Gosain
4. Shri Om Parkash Soni

### **3. Announcement by the Secretary :**

The Secretary made the following announcement :--

"I lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the Bills which were passed by the 10th Punjab Vidhan Sabha during its 13th Session and which have been assented to by the Governor."

### **4. First Report of the Business Advisory Committee :**

The Hon'ble Speaker informed the House regarding the programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from 6th March, 1997 to 12th March, 1997 :--

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved the following motion :--

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### **5. Ruling by the Speaker :**

Hon'ble Speaker gave his ruling regarding grant of recognition to the Punjab Congress (I) Legislature Party as the main Opposition Party and its leader Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal as the Leader of the Opposition Party in the House as follows :--

I am to inform the House that Ch. Jagjit Singh, M.L.A., Deputy Leader of the Punjab Congress (I) Legislature Party had sent a letter dated 27th February, 1997 to me requesting therein that Sardarni Rajinder Kaur

Bhattal, MLA be recognised as Leader of the Opposition since she had been unanimously elected on 12th February, 1997 as Leader of the Punjab Congress (I) Legislature Party consisting of 14 Members in the General Meeting of the party. He has further stated that Punjab Congress (I) Legislature Party fulfils all the conditions required for recognised Opposition Party.

I have examined the constitutional and statutory provisions in the matter. Under sub-section (b) of Section 2 of the Salary and Allowances of Leader of Opposition in Legislative Assembly Act, 1978, (Punjab Act No. 12 of 1978), a Member of the Legislative Assembly, who is, for the time being, Leader of the Party in Opposition to the government having the greatest numerical strength and recognised as such by the Speaker is given the status of the Leader of the Opposition.

Further, according to the well established convention in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha that group of Members in the Opposition is given recognition as an Opposition Party which has strength enough to constitute a quorum in the House. Under the provision of Article 189(3) of the Constitution of India, 12 Members constitute a quorum for the sitting of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha. The Punjab Congress (I) Legislature Party has the greatest numerical strength i.e. 14 Members which strength is more than the required strength for quorum for the sitting of the House.

Since the Punjab Congress (I) Legislature Party fulfils all the statutory and conventional requirements for recognition as the main Opposition Party and its leader Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, MLA as the Leader of the Opposition in the House, I, therefore, hereby recognise the Punjab Congress (I) Legislature Party as the main Opposition Party and its leader Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, M.L.A., as the Leader of the Opposition in the House.

With this recognition, I am happy that there is now a recognised Opposition Party in the House which will facilitate my work to a very large extent. I assure the Leader of the Opposition that she can expect all co-operation from the Chair. What is due to the Opposition will never be denied to them.

## 6. Question of Privilege :

The Speaker gave the following ruling regarding a Privilege Motion against Captain Kanwaljit Singh, Finance Minister, given notice of by Com. Hardev Arshi, M.L.A. of the Communist Party of India :--

✓ I have received a notice of privilege motion from Shri Hardev Arshi, MLA, wherein he has stated that the Finance Minister, Capt. Kanwaljit Singh, a Member of the Business Advisory Committee, has committed a breach of privilege of the House by divulging the decisions taken in the meeting of the Business Advisory Committee held on 4th March, 1997 to the press.

✓ I have examined the whole issue and have to inform the House that it is well established convention that the minutes/decisions of the Business Advisory Committee are kept confidential by the Members of the Committee until its report is presented to the House and adopted by it. After adoption by it the decisions of the Committee are circulated to the press. The motion that the House do agree with the report of the Committee is normally adopted by the House unanimously. However, it is open to the Members to suggest variations in the time recommended in respect of various items of business or to suggest modifications to any other recommendation of the Committee by tabling suitable amendments. The Members of the Business Advisory Committee are, therefore, advised not to divulge the minutes/decisions of the Committee to the press until the report of the Committee is adopted by the House. The violation of this well established parliamentary convention may not technically constitute breach of privilege or contempt of the House but such violations may constitute an instance of impropriety.

I called the Minister for Finance in my Chamber and apprised him of this well established parliamentary convention in the matter. He expressed his regrets and assured that he would take due care to observe well established parliamentary conventions.

Under the circumstances, I refuse my consent to the question of privilege being raised.

## 7. Call Attention Notices :

Call Attention Notices (No. 1 and 2) given notice of by Comrade Hardev Arshi, MLA and Master Mohan Lal, MLA regarding resentment amongst the parents of victims (belonging to Punjab State) of Malta Boat Tragedy which occurred on 25th December, 1996 due to non-payment of any compensation, was admitted.

The Chief Minister made a statement in this regard.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 4) given notice of by Shri Nand Lal, MLA regarding resentment amongst the residents of various villages in Tehsil Balachaur, District Nawanshahr on account of acute shortage of drinking water even in winter season, was admitted. The Minister for Food & Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this regard.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 6) given notice of by Com. Hardev Arshi, MLA regarding resentment amongst the people of the state on account of steep increase in the price of Atta and its non-availability through Public Distribution System.

The Minister for Food & Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this regard.

## 8. Papers Laid on the Table of the House :

The Minister for Food & Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs laid the following papers on the Table of the House :--

1. The Punjab Panchayat Elections (First Amendment) Rules, 1996, as required under section 139(3) of the Punjab State Election Commission Act, 1994.
2. The Annual Report of the Punjab Police Housing Corporation Ltd. for the year 1994-95, as required under section 619(A)(3) of the Companies Act, 1956.
3. The Annual Report-cum-Balance Sheet of the Punjab Energy Development Agency for the Years 1993-94 and 1994-95.
4. The Annual Financial Statement of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1997-98, as

required under Section 61 of Electricity Supply Act, 1948.

### 9. Non-Official Resolution :

1. Shri Jagdish Sawhney, MLA moved the following Resolution :

"Whereas in the year 1699 a divine and unique event occurred in the History of the World when Sahib Shri Guru Gobind Singh Ji spread a message of 'Oneness of the Mankind' by creating Khalsa on the holy land of Shri Anandpur Sahib by administering the nectar for immortality 'The Amrit';

And Whereas the 300th Anniversary of this great event falls in the year 1999 ;

Therefore, this House recommends to the Government of India to take steps to approach the U.N.O. to declare the year 1999 as the 'Year of Human Spirit' and celebrate it in a collective manner inter-religiously to commemorate the 300th Anniversary of this great event in order to spread his message of 'Oneness of Mankind' throughout the World".

While moving the resolution, he spoke for 7 minutes.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

S. No.	Name of Member	Minutes
1.	Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta (SAD)	07
2.	Sardar Tota Singh (SAD)	09
3.	Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal, Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of SCs & BCs.	18
4.	Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta (C.P.I.)	09
5.	Dr. Harbans Lal (Cong.)	18
6.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh (SAD-Mann)	03
7.	Raja Narinder Singh (SAD)	08
8.	Sardar Gobind Singh Kanjhla	03

S. No.	Name of Member	Minutes
9.	Smt. Jagir Kaur (SAD)	06
10.	Shri Tikshan Sud (B.J.P.)	07
11.	Sardar Sewa Singh Sekhwan (SAD),	08
12.	Dr. Upinderjit Kaur, Minister for Tech. Edu. and Ind. Training and Tourism and Cultural Affairs.	05
13.	S. Hira Singh Gabria (SAD)	08
14.	Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla (BJP)	05
15.	Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli (SAD)	04
16.	Sardar Manmohan Singh (SAD)	05
17.	Sardar Gardhara Singh (BJP)	06

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

2. Com. Hardev Arshi, MLA, moved the following resolution:--

"This House recommends to the State Government to take steps to make special arrangements to check the menace of stray cattle causing road accidents and damage to crops."

While moving the resolution he spoke for 17 minutes.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

S. No.	Name of Member	Minutes
1.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh (SAD Mann)	02
2.	Sardar Gulzar Singh Ranike (SAD)	02
3.	Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar (SAD)	03
4.	Chaudhry Jagjit Singh (Congress)	05
5.	Shri Tikshan Sud (BJP)	05



S. No.	Name of Member	Minutes
6.	Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli (SAD)	02
7.	Sardar Tota Singh (SAD)	05
8.	Sardar Sikandar Singh (SAD)	04
9.	Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla (BJP)	04
10.	Shri Nand Lal (SAD)	02
11.	S. Hira Singh Gabria (SAD)	06
12.	Chaudhry Swarna Ram (BJP)	04

This resolution was 'talked out' as the House adjourned when Chaudhry Swarna Ram was still on his legs.

#### 10. Walk Out :

Hon'ble Members of the Communist Party of India, present in the House, staged a walk out as they felt that the Government was not willing to pass the resolution. All the Hon'ble Members of the Congress Party, present in the House, also staged a walk out along with them.

#### 11. Extension of Time :

Hon'ble Speaker extended the time of the sitting of the House with the consent of the House by 03 minutes.

#### 12. Point of Order :

Point of Order raised by Com. Hardev Arshi, Communist party of India, was declared as 'No Point of Order'.

Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the chair from 11.36 A.M. to 12.03 P.M.

The House, then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Monday, the 10th March, 1997.



## BULLETIN NO. 5

Monday, the 10th March, 1997

(2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)

## 1. Questions :

## (a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Post- poned	No. of supple- mentaries
18	15	2	1	36

## (b) Unstarred : 4

## 2. Walk-Out :

Comrade Hardev Arshi, a Member of C.P.I. and other Members of his Party, present in the House, staged a walk out as a protest for not allowing them to speak during the 'Zero Hour'.

## 3. Discussion on the Governor's Address :

(1) Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, MLA (S.A.D.) while moving the motion that an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :--

"That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 5th, March, 1997."

spoke for 27 minutes.

(2) Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA (S.A.D.) seconded this motion and spoke for 22 minutes.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr.No.	Name of the Member	Time taken
1.	Ch. Jagjit Singh (Cong.)	47 minutes
2.	Shri Manoranjan Kalia (B.J.P.)	04 "

Sr.No.	Name of the Member	Time taken
3.	Sardar Tota Singh (S.A.D.)	31 Minutes
4.	Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli (S.A.D.)	11 "
5.	Sardar Sewa Singh Sekhwan (S.A.D.)	18 "
6.	Master Mohan Lal (B.J.P.)	24 "
7.	Dr. Harbans Lal (Cong.)	07 "

#### 4. Points of Order :

Points of order raised by the following Members were declared as 'No Points of order' :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	No. of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order'
1.	Sardar Ajit Singh Kohar	01
2.	Sardar Gurcharan Singh Dirba	01
3.	Shri Avtar Henry	02

Shri Sat Pal Gosain, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.48 P.M. to 6.10 P.M.

Doctor Harbans Lal was still on his legs when the House adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 11th March, 1997.

#### BULLETIN NO. 6

*Tuesday, the 11th March, 1997*

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

#### 1. Oath or Affirmation by a Member:

An Hon'ble Member of the House Sardar Arjan Singh Josh, who could not be administered oath or affirmation as he was not present in the House earlier, took oath in Punjabi.

## 2. Questions :

### (a) Starred —

Total number of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Post-poned	No. of supplementaries
14	14	--	--	33

### (b) Unstarred : Nil

## 3. Call Attention Notices :

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 16) given notice of by Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta and Comrade Hardev Arshi, MLAs, regarding inconvenience being faced by the students and farmers due to non-supply of power for the last one month in about 90 villages of district Ferozepur, was admitted.

The Chief Minister made a statement in this regard.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 17) given notice of by Shri Hardev Arshi, M.L.A. regarding great resentment prevailing amongst the residents of four dozen villages of Boha area of District Mansa on account of acute shortage of drinking water, was admitted.

The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this regard.

## 4. Resumption of discussion on Governor's address :

Discussion on the following motion, moved by Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, MLA and seconded by Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA on 10th March, 1997 and Notices of Amendments (Sr. No. 1-6) which were deemed to have been read and moved, was taken together:--

"That an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :--

'That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 5th March, 1997'."

Doctor Harbans Lal of the Congress Party who was speaking on the Governor's Address yesterday (10th March, 1997) resumed his speech and spoke for 11 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members took part in the discussion on the Governor's Address and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time taken
1.	Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira (S.A.D.)	56 minutes
2.	Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta (SAD)	34 "
3.	Doctor Rattan Singh (SAD)	27 "
4.	Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (I.N.C.)	68 "(1 hr. 8 minutes)
5.	Smt. Satwant Kaur Sandhu (SAD)	04 "

#### 5. Points of Order

The Points of Order raised by the following Members were declare as 'No Points of Order' :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	No. of Points of order declared as 'No Points of Order'.
1.	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta	1
2.	Chaudhry Jagjit Singh	1
3.	Shri Avtar Henry	1
4.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar	1

Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 10.58 A.M. to 12.01 P.M.

Smt. Satwant Kaur Sandhu was still on her legs when the House adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Wednesday the 12th March, 1997.

## BULLETIN NO. 7

Wednesday, the 12th March, 1997

(From 9.00 A.M to 2.42 P.M.)

### 1. Obituary Reference :

The Chief Minister made reference to the passing away of Sardar Jagjit Singh, Eminent Sikh Historian and Freedom Fighter. While paying tribute, he spoke for two minutes.

Then the following Members paid homage to the departed soul :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Arshi	01 minute
2.	Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, Minister for Local Government, Health and Family Welfare and Medical Education.	01 minute
3.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh	01 minute
4.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	01 minute

Thereafter, the Hon'ble Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Hon'ble Members on the sad demise of Sardar Jagjit Singh.

Then, the Members of the House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

### 2. Questions :

#### (a) Starred—

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Sup-plementaries
10	10	--	--	28

(b) Unstarred : 3

### 3. Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee :

The Hon'ble Speaker presented the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee to the House.

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved :--

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 4. Calling Attention Notices :

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 21) given notice of by Comrade Hardev Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, MLAs, regarding great resentment amongst the farmers of 68 villages of Tehsil Mukerian, District Hoshiarpur, for being defrauded due to various irregularities committed by the Oswal Sugar Mills, Mukerian (Hoshiarpur), was admitted.

The Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes made a statement in this regard.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 23) given notice of by Comrade Hardev Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, MLAs, regarding resentment amongst the farmers of Budhlada Sub-Division due to non-lifting of their sugarcane by the Sugar Mills at Patran and Faridkot, was admitted.

The Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes made a statement in this regard.

### 5. Resumption of discussion on Governor's Address and voting on the Motion of Thanks :

Discussion on the following motion moved by Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, MLA and seconded by

Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA, on the 10th March, 1997 was resumed :-

"That an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :--

"That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 5th March, 1997."

Shrimati Satwant Kaur Sandhu, a Member of the Shiromani Akali Dal, who was on her legs yesterday (i.e. 11-3-1997), resumed her speech and spoke for 12 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members participated in the discussion on the Governor's Address and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Raja Narinder Singh (SAD)	19 minutes
2.	Shrimati Luxmi Kanta Chawla (BJP)	12 minutes
3.	Shri Charanji Lal Garg (SAD)	10 minutes
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (BSP)	15 minutes
5.	Comrade Hardev Arshi, (CPI)	21 minutes
6.	Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi (SAD)	10 minutes
7.	Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh (SAD)	10 minutes
8.	Sardar Balwant Singh (SAD)	08 minutes
9.	Chaudhry Swarna Ram (BJP)	15 minutes
10.	Shri Bhagwan Das Arora (I.N.C.)	15 minutes
11.	Shri Nusrat Ali Khan (SAD)	02 minutes
12.	Bibi Jagir Kaur (SAD)	10 minutes
13.	Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal, Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes.	17 minutes

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for one hour and 43 minutes.

In all six notices (Nos. 1 to 6) of amendments to the Motion of Thanks to the Governor's Address were received. All of these amendments were put to the vote of the House together and lost.

The following motion was put to the vote of the House :--

"That the Members of the House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 5th March, 1997."

The motion was carried unanimously.

#### 6. Walk-out :

Hon'ble Member Sardar Ajit Inder Singh (SAD) (M) staged a walk-out as a protest for not allowing him to speak. After sometime, the Hon'ble Member returned to the House.

#### 7. Point of Order :

Point of Order raised by the Hon'ble Member Shri Bhagwan Das Arora (I.N.C.) was declared as 'No Point of Order'.

#### 8. Extension of Time :

Time of the sitting of the House was extended with the consent of the House till the business on the Order Paper was over.

Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 10.16 A.M. to 10.54 A.M.

The House, then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Tuesday, the 18th March, 1997.

### SPECIAL BULLETIN NO. 1

#### General Discussion on the Governor's Address

The Motion of Thanks to the Governor for his Address was discussed for three days i.e. the 10th March, 11th March and 12th March, 1997 lasting 11 hours and 10 minutes.



Details of time taken by various Parties/Groups is as under :--

Party/Group	No. of Members who participated	Time Taken	
		Hours	Minutes
1. Treasury Benches (Shiromani Akali Dal)	18	7	11
2. Bhartiya Janata Party	04	0	55
3. Indian National Congress	04	2	28
4. Communist Party of India	01	0	21
5. Bahujan Samaj Party	01	0	15
6. Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)	--	--	--
7. Independents	--	--	--

**Note :** Time taken for putting the motion and amendments to the vote of the House by the Hon'ble Speaker is not included in it.

2. Time taken by the Treasury Benches includes the time taken by the Chief Minister who spoke for 1 hour and 43 minutes.

#### BULLETIN NO. 8

*Tuesday, the 18th March, 1997,*

(From 2.00 P.M. to 3.54 P.M.)

#### 1. Obituary References :

The Chief Minister made references to the victims of bomb blast near Jalandhar Railway Station on the 14th March, 1997. While paying homage, he spoke for seven minutes. Thereafter, the following Members paid

homage to the departed souls and spoke for the time given against each :--

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|---|-----------|
| 1. Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal<br>(I.N.C.) | 5 Minutes |
| 2. Comrade Hardev Arshi (C.P.I.)              | 7 Minutes |
| 3. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh (S.A.D.) (M)       | 3 Minutes |

The Hon'ble Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members on the sad demise of the said persons.

The House then stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the departed souls.

## 2. Question :

### (a) Postponed Starred Question :

The list of Postponed Starred Question was taken up first. There was one question in it, which was answered. The number of supplementaries to this question were three.

### (b) Starred Questions :

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
19	16	--	--	28

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38.

### (c) Unstarred Questions :

## 3. Annoucement by the Speaker :

The Speaker informed the House that he had received a D.O. letter dated 16th March, 1997 from the Governor, Punjab wherein the latter had thanked the Members of the House for passing the Motion of Thanks on the 12th March, 1997, for the Address delivered by him to the House on the 5th March, 1997.

#### 4. Papers laid on the table :

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, Public Health and Food & Supplies laid the following papers on the Table of the House :--

1. The Punjab State Legal Services Authorities Rules, 1996, as required under Sub-Section (2) of Section 30 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.
2. The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1994-95, as required under section 75 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
3. The 15th Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Limited for the year 1990-91 as required under section 619-A(3) of the Companies Act, 1956.
4. A statement showing the reasons for the delay in laying the Annual Accounts of the Goindwal Industrial and Investment Corporation of Punjab Limited for the year 1994-95 and 1995-96.
5. A statement showing the reasons for the delay in laying the Annual Reports/Accounts of the Punjab Small Industries and Export Corporation Ltd. for the year 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96.

#### 5. Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1996-97

(i) The Hon'ble Finance Minister presented the Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab 1996-97.

(ii) Discussion on the estimates of the Expenditure charged on the revenue of the State.

#### 2. Voting of the Demands for Supplementary Grants

As per past practice all the Demands (i.e. 23 Demands) were deemed to have been read and moved togetherwith the consent of the House. A general

discussion on all the Supplementary Demands together was allowed and all the Members participating in the discussion were asked to mention the particular Demand they were going to discuss.

It was decided that guillotine would be applied at 5.00 P.M. under Sub-Rule (4) of Rule 168 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

Comrade Hardev Arshi (Communist Party of India) participated in the discussion and while doing so, he spoke for seven minutes.

All the Demands i.e. Demands Nos. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8, 10,12,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,23,25,26,27,29 and 30 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

## 6. Legislative Business :

### The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1997 :

The Finance Minister introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1997 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clauses 2 and 3 were put separately to the vote of the House and carried.

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Title of the Bill was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Finance Minister moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the House adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 19th March, 1997.

## BULLETIN NO. 9

Wednesday, the 19th March, 1997

(From 9.00 A.M. to 10.17 A.M.)

# 1. Questions :

## (a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Sup- ple- men- tar- ies
18	14	2	2	43

## (b) Unstarred : 11

# 2. Presentation of Vote-on-Account for expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1997-98 :

The Finance Minister presented the Vote-on-Account for expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1997-98 for three months.

While doing so, he spoke for 10 minutes.

# 3. Motion Regarding Vote-on-Account for three months :

The Finance Minister moved the following motion :--

"That Vote-on-Account for three months (viz. April, May and June, 1997) amounting to Rs. 39,15,42,21,000 as in the Schedule attached, be taken into consideration at once and passed."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

# 4. The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1997.

Minister for Finance introduced the Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1997, and also

moved that the Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Finance Minister moved that the Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1997, be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 5. Walk Out :

Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, Leader of the Opposition, and Comrade Hardev Arshi (C.P.I.) raised points of order regarding conducting an enquiry into the death of Shri Kashmir Singh. The Hon'ble Chief Minister replied thereto. But the Members of all the opposition parties-- I.N.C., C.P.I., B.S.P., and S.A.D. (Mann) present in the House, staged a walk out as a protest on account of not being satisfied with the reply of the Chief Minister.

The House, then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 20th March, 1997.

#### BULLETIN NO. 10

Thursday, the 20th March, 1997

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

#### 1. Questions :

##### (a) Starred :

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
20	14	--	6	38

(b) Unstarred .. 1

## 2. Calling Attention Notice :

Calling Attention Notice (No. 35) given notice of by Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa, M.L.A., Chaudhry Swarna Ram, M.L.A., and Smt. Roop Rani, M.L.A., regarding injustice being done to P.C.M.S. Officers belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the matter of promotion to the posts of Civil Surgeons in the State, was admitted.

The Minister for Local Government, Health and Family Welfare and Medical Education made a statement in this regard.

## 3. Motion Under Rule 16 :

The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs moved that :--

"The Vidhan Sabha (Assembly) at its rising this day shall stand adjourned *sine-die*."

Comrade Hardev Arshi, Communist Party of India, took part in the discussion and spoke for two minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## 4. Motion Regarding Constitution of Elected Committees for the year 1997-98 :

The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs moved that :--

"Whereas the election to the :--

1. Committee on Public Accounts ;
2. Committee on Estimates ;
3. Committee on Public Undertakings ; and
4. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes,

for the year 1997-98 are to be held before the 31st March, 1997 ; and

Whereas the time left at the disposal of the House is extremely short and it is not possible to conduct, in the normal course, the election to these Committees.

Now, therefore, this House authorises the Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha, to nominate the Members of the aforesaid Committees for the aforesaid year, keeping in view the proportionate strength of various parties/groups in the House ;

This House further resolves, that for the above purpose the rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) relating to the election to the said Committees for the year 1997-98, which are inconsistent with or contrary to the above resolution, shall stand suspended.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### 5. Papers Laid on the Table of the House :

The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs laid the following papers on the Table of the House :--

1. (a) Government of Punjab Finance Accounts 1995-96 ;
- (b) Government of Punjab Appropriation Accounts 1995-96 ;
- (c) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1995-96 (Civil) ;
- (d) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1995-96 (Commercial) ;
- and
- (e) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1995-96 (Revenue-Receipts).

2. The 12th Annual Report of the Punjab Khadi and Village Industries Board for the Year 1994-95.

#### 6. Motion Regarding Suspension of Rule 30(3) Rule 147 and other relevant rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha for placing the Resolution No. 9 at Serial No. 1 :

Hon'ble Speaker informed the House that before taking up the non-official resolutions, he would like to inform



The House that he had received a notice from Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, MLA, in which it is proposed that clause 3 of Rule 30, Rule 147 and other relevant Rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha be suspended. After suspending the said Rules, it is suggested that the Resolution (Sr. No. 9) regarding waiving of loan of Rs. 8000 crores standing against the State Government by the Government of India, given notice by Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli and Sardar Balwant Singh Amloh, MLAs, be discussed at first in the House today and it should be passed unanimously. Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta moved the following Motion :--

"Rule 30 (3), Rule 147 and other relevant rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha be suspended to the extent as required for moving the following resolution at priority No. 1 in the sitting of the House :

"This House recommends to the State Government to approach the Union Government to waive the entire loan amounting to rupees 8000 crores given to the State in recent years to combat militancy and face the proxy war from across the border, which was a national problem, since it is not possible for the State to repay this huge loan."

The following Members took part in the discussion on the Motion and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time taken
1.	Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (I.N.C)	04 minutes
2.	The Minister for Local Government, Health and Family Welfare and Medical Education (Shri Balramji Dass Tandon)	03 "
3.	Comrade Hardev Arshi (C.P.I.)	04 "

The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Madan Mohan Mittal), by way of reply, spoke for 3 minutes.

The Resolution was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### 7. Non-Official Resolution :

Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, MLA, moved that :

"This House recommends to the State Government to approach the Union Government to waive the entire loan amounting to rupees 8000 crores given to the State in recent years to combat militancy and face the proxy war from across the border which was a National problem since it is not possible for the State to repay this huge loan."

While moving the resolution, he spoke for 10 minutes.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time (in minutes)
1.	Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal (SAD)	11
2.	Sardar Makhan Singh (SAD)	11
3.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar (I.N.C)	17
4.	Comrade Hardev Arshi (C.P.I)	17
5.	Raja Narinder Singh (S.A.D.)	10
6.	Sardar Tota Singh (S.A.D.)	04
7.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh (S.A.D.) (M)	02
8.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (B.S.P.)	05
9.	Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli (S.A.D.)	06
10.	Shri Manoranjan Kalia (B.J.P.)	08
11.	Sardar Balwant Singh Amloh (S.A.D.)	05
12.	Sardar Hira Singh Gabria (S.A.D.)	05

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Madan Mohan Mittal), by way of reply, spoke for eight minutes.

The Resolution was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

2. The following Resolution given notice of by Sardar Gurcharan Singh Dirba, MLA (I.N.C.) that :--

"This House recommends to the State Government to formulate such Housing Scheme under which houses be constructed and allotted to the economically weaker sections of society in urban as well as in the rural areas of the State."

could not be moved as the Hon'ble Member was not present in the House.

3. Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, MLA, moved the following Resolution :--

"This House recommends to the State Government to approach the Union Government to take immediate steps to suitably amend the Haryana and Punjab Agriculture Universities Act, 1970 (Central Act 16 of 1970) with a view to provide adequate representation to the teaching community in the Governing Bodies of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana."

While moving the Resolution, he spoke for 11 minutes.

The following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time (in minutes)
1.	Sardar Makhan Singh (S.A.D.)	04
2.	Comrade Hardev Arshi (C.P.I.)	11
3.	Sardar Tota Singh (S.A.D.)	12
4.	Raja Narinder Singh (S.A.D.)	03

The Resolution was talked out as Raja Narinder Singh was still on his legs when the House adjourned *sine-die*.

#### 8. Point of Order :

The Points of Order raised by the following Hon'ble Members were declared as 'No Points of Order' :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	No. of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order'
1.	Shri Satya Pal Saini	01
2.	Shrimati Luxmi Kanta Chawla	01

Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 11.16 A.M. to 12.28 P.M.

The House then adjourned *sine-die*.

## APPENDIX--II

## 27. COMMITTEES

## (i) Elected Committees

- ★ I. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 1997-98  
(Nominated by the Speaker on the 6th May, 1997 in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on 20th March, 1997)

1. Prof. Jagir Singh
- \*2. Sardar Ajit Singh Kohar
3. Sardar Balbir Singh Nathana
- \*4. Sardar Harmel Singh
5. Bhai Harnirpal Singh
- \*6. Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh
7. Sardar Makhan Singh
8. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal
9. Shri Om Parkash Soni
10. Sardar Paramjit Singh
11. Shri Rakesh Kumar Pandey
12. Shri Ram Lal
13. Shri Satya Pal Saini

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Prof. Jagir Singh as Chairman of the Committee.

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- \* Ceased to be Members of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister/Minister of State and in the vacancies thus caused Sarvshri Jagdish Singh Garcha, Arjan Singh Josh and Capt. Balbir Singh Bath were nominated by the Speaker with effect from 21st August, 1997.

## II. COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1997-98

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 7th May, 1997 in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on 20th March, 1997).

- \*1. Raja Narinder Singh
2. Sardar Adesh Partap Singh
3. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
4. Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar
5. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi
- \*\*6. Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira
7. Shri Jagdish Sawhney
- \*\*8. Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta
9. Sardar Manmohan Singh
- \*\*10. Master Mohan Lal
11. Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Mansa
12. Sardar Tej Parkash Singh
- \*\*13. Jathedar Tota Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Raja Narinder Singh as Chairman of the Committee.

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- \* Ceased to be the Chairman of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister and in the vacancy thus caused Sardar Hira Singh Gabria was appointed by the Speaker with effect from 21st August, 1997.
  - \*\* Ceased to be Member of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister/Minister of State and in the vacancies thus caused Sarvshri Balbir Singh Bhadaur, Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla, Jagtar Singh Rajla and Tara Singh Ladla were nominated by the Speaker with effect from 21st August, 1997.

### III COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS FOR THE YEAR 1997-98

(Nominated by the Speaker in pursuance of the motion passed  
by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha at its sitting held  
on 20th March, 1997 vide Notification  
dated 8th May, 1997)

1. Shri Sat Pal Gosain
2. Shri Avtar Henry
3. Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala
4. Sardar Bikramjit Singh
5. Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla
6. Sardar Mantar Singh
7. Shri Mohan Lal Behram
- \*\*\* 8. Dr Rattan Singh
- \*9. Sardar Ravi Inder Singh
10. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra
- \*\*\*11. Sardar Sarwan Singh
- \*\*\*12. Sardar Sikander Singh
- \*\*\*13. Sardar Sucha Singh Langah
- \*\*14. Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Shri Sat Pal Gosain as Chairman of the Committee.

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- \*1. Ceased to be a Member of the Committee having resigned with effect from 15th May, 1997.
  - \*\*2. Nominated by the Speaker as Member of the Committee with effect from 18th June, 1997 against the casual vacancy caused by the resignation of Sardar Ravi Inder Singh.
  - \*\*\*3. Ceased to be Members of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister/Minister of State and in the vacancies thus caused Sarvshri Nand Lal, Natha Singh Dalam, Sadhu Singh Payal and Prem Singh Lalpura were nominated by the Speaker with effect from 21st August, 1997.

IV. COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES,  
SCHEDULED TRIBES AND BACKWARD CLASSES FOR  
THE YEAR 1997-98

(Nominated by the Speaker on 6th May, 1997 in  
pursuance of the Motion passed by the  
House on 20th March, 1997).

1. Sardar Sujan Singh
2. Sardar Bachan Singh Cheema
3. Sardar Balwant Singh
- \*4. Sardar Gobind Singh Kanjla
5. Sardar Gulzar Singh Ranike
6. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu
7. Ch. Jagjit Singh
8. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi
9. Smt. Roop Rani
10. Smt. Satwant Kaur Sandhu
11. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra
12. Sardar Sital Singh
- \*\*13. Ch. Swarna Ram

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Sardar Sujan Singh as Chairman of the Committee.

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- \* Ceased to be a Member of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister/Minister of State and in the vacancy thus caused Sardar Bhag Singh was nominated by the Speaker with effect from 21st August, 1997.
  - \*\* Resigned from the Membership of the Committee with effect from 24th June, 1997 on his being elected as Deputy Speaker and in the vacancy thus caused Jathedar Ajay Pal Singh Mirankot was nominated by the Speaker with effect from 28th June, 1997.



## (ii) NOMINATED COMMITTEES

I. COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES FOR THE YEAR  
1997-98

## (Nominated under rule\233)

- \*1. Sardar Raghubir Singh
- 2. Sardar Gobind Singh Longowal
- 3. Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan
- \*\*4. Sardar Maheshinder Singh
- 5. Shri Ram Kumar
- 6. Bibi Satwant Kaur Sandhu
- \*\*7. Sardar Sewa Singh Sekhwan
- 8. Sardar Sital Singh
- 9. Sardar Sohan Singh Bodal
- \*\*10. Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli
- \*\*11. Shri Surjit Kumar
- 12. Sardar Ujagar Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid* the Speaker has appointed Sardar Raghubir Singh as Chairman of the Committee.

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- \* Ceased to be the Chairman of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister and in vacancy thus caused Sardar Manmohan Singh was nominated by the Speaker with effect from 22nd August, 1997.
  - \*\* Ceased to be Members of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister/Minister of State and in the vacancies thus caused Sarvshri Ajaib Singh Mukhmailpura, Kartar Singh Pahra, Sujan Singh and Chuni Lal were nominated by the Speaker with effect from 21st August, 1998.

II. COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES  
FOR THE YEAR 1997-98

(Nominated under Rule 238)

1. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam
2. Sardar Ajaipal Singh Mirankot
3. Sardar Amarjit Singh Samra
4. Shri Arunesh Kumar
5. Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla
6. Sardar Charanjit Singh Nawanshahar
- \*7. Sardar Janmeja Singh
8. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura
- \*9. Sardar Raghubir Singh
10. Sardar Ranjit Singh Balian
11. Sardar Sadhu Singh Baghapurana
- \*12. Sardar Sewa Singh Sekhwan
13. Sardar Ujagar Singh Rangretta

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Sardar Natha Singh Dalam as Chairman of the Committee.

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- \* Ceased to be Members of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister/Minister of State and in the vacancies thus caused Sardar Jagdish Singh Garcha, Chaudhary Mohan Lal Behram and Shrimati Daljeet Kaur were nominated as Members of the Committee by the Speaker with effect from 21st August, 1997.

### III. COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION FOR THE YEAR 1997-98

(Nominated under Rule 240)

- \*1. Shri Manoranjan Kalia
2. Sardar Ajaib Singh Mukhmailpura
3. Sardar Ajaib Singh Raunta
4. Sardar Balvir Singh Chaudhry
5. Sardar Bhag Singh Malha
6. Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora
- \*7. Shri Charanji Lal Garg
8. Sardar Dhanwant Singh
9. Sardar Gobind Singh Longowal
10. Dr. Harbans Lal
- \*\*11. Shri Nusrat Ali Khan
12. Sardar Sohan Singh Bodal
13. Advocate General, Punjab

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Shri Manoranjan Kalia, as Chairman of the Committee.

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\* Ceased to be the Chairman of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister and in the vacancy thus caused Shri Satya Pal Saini was appointed as Chairman of the Committee by the Speaker with effect from 21st August, 1997.

\*\*Ceased to be Members of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister/Minister of State and in the vacancies thus caused Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal and Prof. Jagir Singh were nominated as Members of the Committee by the Speaker with effect from 21st August, 1997.

IV. LIBRARY COMMITTEE  
FOR THE YEAR 1997-98

(Nominated under Rule 248)

- \*1. Bibi Jagir Kaur
- 2. Sardar Amrik Singh Dhillon
- 3. Shri Chuni Lal
- 4. Smt. Daljit Kaur
- \*\*5. Sardar Gardhara Singh
- 6. Shri Nand Lal
- 7. Sardar Sadhu Singh Payal
- \* 8. Sardar Tara Singh Ladal
- 9. Sardar Vir Singh Lopoke

The Speaker has appointed Bibi Jagir Kaur as Chairman of the Committee.

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- \* Ceased to be the Chairman of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister and in the vacancy thus caused Sardar Ujjagar Singh Rangretta was nominated as Member of the Committee by the Speaker with effect from 21st August, 1997.
  - \*\* The Speaker appointed Sardar Gardhara Singh as Chairman of the Committee with effect from 21st August, 1997.

## V. COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS FOR THE YEAR 1997-98

## (Nominated under Rule 250)

1. Shri Harminder Singh Jassi
2. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh
3. Sardar Gardhara Singh
4. Sardar Gurcharan Singh Dirba
5. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria
- \*6. Bibi Jagir Kaur
7. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla
8. Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra
9. Sardar Malkiat Singh
10. Shri Nand Lal
11. Sardar Sher Singh Jalalabad
- \*12. Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli
13. Sardar Vir Singh Lopoke

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Shri Harminder Singh Jassi as Chairman of the Committee.

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- \* Ceased to be Members of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997 on being appointed as Minister/Minister of State and in the vacancies thus caused Sarvshri Ranjit Singh Balian and Sadhu Singh Baghapurana were nominated as Members of the Committee by the Speaker with effect from 21st August, 1997.

VI. COMMITTEE ON PAPERS LAID/TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE  
FOR THE YEAR 1997-98

(Nominated under Rule 251-C)

1. Sardar Tara Singh Ladal
2. Sardar Arjan Singh Josh
3. Capt. Balbir Singh Bath
4. Sardar Balbir Singh Bhadaur
5. Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana
6. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria
7. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla
8. Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra
9. Sardar Sohan Singh Mahilpur
10. Shri Tikshan Sood

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 ibid, the Speaker has appointed Sardar Tara Singh Ladal, as Chairman of the Committee.

## VII. BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

[Nominated under rule 208(1)]

1. Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, Speaker .. Ex-officio Chairman.
2. Shri Madan Mohan Mittal, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.
3. Capt. Kanwaljit Singh, Minister for Finance.
4. Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, MLA.
5. Shri Hardev Arshi, MLA.
6. Sardar Dhanwant Singh, MLA.

## SPECIAL INVITEES

1. Raja Narinder Singh, MLA.
2. Sardar Sujan Singh, MLA.
3. Shri Jagdish Sawhney, MLA.
4. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, MLA.

**VIII. HOUSE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE YEAR 1997-98  
(Nominated under rule 249)**

*1. Chaudhary Swarna Ram, Deputy Speaker	: Ex-officio Chairman
2. Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta	: Member
**3. Sardar Ajit Singh Kohar	: "
4. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu	: "
5. Chaudhary Jagjit Singh	: "
**6. Sardar Maheshinder Singh	: "
**7. Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta	: "
8. Shri Ram Lal	: "
**9. Sardar Sucha Singh Langah	: "

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\* Ceased to be Ex-officio Chairman of the Committee on being appointed as Minister of State and in the vacancy thus caused Shri Baldev Raj Chawla became the Ex-officio Chairman of the Committee on his being elected as Deputy Speaker on 23rd December, 1997.

\*\* Ceased to be Members of the Committee with effect from 27th July, 1997, on being appointed as Ministers/Ministers of State and in the vacancies thus caused Sarvshri Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Paramjit Singh, Gulzar Singh Ranike and Gurdip Singh Bhullar were nominated by the Speaker as Members of the Committee with effect from 21st August, 1997.



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**DURING**  
**THE BUDGET (SECOND) SESSION, 1997**  
**WITH**  
**APPENDICES CONTAINING DAILY BULLETINS**  
**AND COMMITTEE OF THE VIDHAN SABHA**



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**PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT, CHANDIGARH.**  
**OCTOBER, 1997**





## PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Budget (Second) Session, 1997 held from 10th June, 1997 to 24th June, 1997 and on 14th July, 1997, togetherwith the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above-mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

Chandigarh :

UJAGAR SINGH,

The 13th October, 1997

SECRETARY.



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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an order of the Governor, dated the 22nd May, 1997 to meet for its Budget Second Session, 1997 in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, at 2.00 P.M. on the 10th June, 1997 and it continued to meet till the 24th June, 1997 when it adjourned *sine-die*. Under the second proviso to rule 16 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Vidhan Sabha was again called by the Hon'ble Speaker to meet on Monday, the 14th July, 1997 at 11.00 A.M. it adjourned *sine-die* on the same day and it was later prorogued by an order of the Governor dated the 24th July, 1997.

During the Session, the Sabha held 12 Sittings.

## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme observed
1	2
Tuesday, the 10th June, 1997 (2.00 P.M. to 3.15 P.M.)	<p>I) Oath or Affirmation by Sardar Jagdish Singh Garcha declared elected in the Bye-election from Qila Raipur Assembly Constituency.</p> <p>II) Obituary references to the deaths of :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sardar Atma Singh, Ex-Minister, Punjab.</li> <li>2. Comrade Bachan Singh Bakshi-wala, Ex-MLA.</li> <li>3. Shri Lekh Ram Thakur, Ex-Deputy Speaker of Erstwhile Pepsu Vidhan Sabha.</li> <li>4. Shri Biju Patnaik, Ex-Chief Minister of Orissa.</li> <li>5. Sardar Dayal Singh, Freedom Fighter.</li> <li>6. Sardar Partap Singh Baghi, Freedom-Fighter.</li> <li>7. Comrade Kirpal Singh, Freedom Fighter.</li> <li>8. Shri Jagdish Rai Monga, RSS Worker.</li> <li>9. Jathedarni Manmohan Kaur Chadda, Freedom-Fighter.</li> </ol>

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10. Victims of Mecca Fire Tragedy.

11. Victims of Earthquake in Jabalpur Region (Madhya Pradesh).

Wednesday, the 11th June, 1997  
(9.00 A.M. to 11.40 P.M.)

I) Presentation and adoption of First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

II) Presentation of Budget Estimates for the Year 1997-98.

Thursday, the 12th June, 1997  
(9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

Non-Official Resolution :-

"This House recommends to the State Govt. to formulate such Housing Schemes under which the houses be constructed and allotted to the economically weaker sections of the society in urban as well as in the rural areas of the State".

(Talked out)

Friday the 13th June, 1997  
(9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the Year 1997-98.

Saturday, the 14th June, 1997  
Sunday, the 15th June, 1997. ]

Holidays.

Monday, the 16th June, 1997  
(2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)

Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the Year 1997-98.

Tuesday, the 17th June, 1997  
(9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

I) Obituary References to the deaths of :-

1. Shri Hari Singh, Ex-Member, Vidhan Parishad.

2. Victims of Uphar Cinema Fire Tragedy at New D Ihi.

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3. Victims of road accident near village Miani on account of collapse of bridge on Tanda-Begowal Road.

II) Presentation and adoption of Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

III) Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98.

Wednesday, the 18th June, 1997  
(9.00 A.M. to 2.01 P.M.)

I) Election of Deputy Speaker.

II) Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the Year 1997-98

(Discussion concluded)

Thursday, the 19th June, 1997  
(9-00 A.M. to 1-30 P.M.)

Non-official Resolution :-  
"This House recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to enact suitable legislation to enforce unified syllabus and fee-structure in the private schools running in the State".

(Talked out)

Friday, the 20th June, 1997  
(9-00 A.M. to 1-54 P.M.)

Discussion and Voting on the following Demands for Grants relating to the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 :-

I) Demand No. 12 in respect of Home Affairs and Justice.

II) Demand No. 5 in respect of Education.



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Saturday, the 21st June, 1997 Sunday, the 22nd June, 1997	Holidays.
Monday, the 23rd June, 1997 (2.00 P.M. to 5.55 P.M.)	<p>1. Discussion and Voting on the following Demands for Grants relating to the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 :-</p> <p>I) Demand No. 1 in respect of Agriculture and Forests.</p> <p>II) Demand No. 25 in respect of Social and Women's Welfare and Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes.</p> <p>2. All other Demands for Grants.</p>
Tuesday, the 24th June, 1997 (9.00 A.M. to 12.23 P.M.)	<p>1. Motion under Rule 16 regarding Adjournment of the Assembly sine-die.</p> <p>(Carried)</p> <p>2. The Punjab Appropriation (No 2) Bill, 1997.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>3. The Punjab General Sales Tax- (Amendment) Bill, 1997.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>4. The Punjab Land Revenue (Abolition) Bill, 1997.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>(There was no sitting from 25th June to 13th July, 1997.</p>
Monday, the 14th July, 1997 (11.00 A.M. to 12.51 P.M.)	I. Obituary References to the deaths of :-

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1. Bibi Jaswant Kaur, Ex-MLA.
2. The persons killed in a powerful bomb blast in a passenger train near Lehra Khana Railway Station in District Bhatinda.
3. Victims of bomb blast in a temple at Baghapurana.
4. Shri Chetan Anand, famous Film Producer and Director.
5. Tikka Jagjit Singh Bedi, Former Justice.
6. Shri Surinder Pratap Singh, Correspondent.
7. Shri D. N. Singh, Correspondent.
8. Smt. Narinder Biba, Famous Punjabi Singer.
9. Smt. Bakhshish Kaur, Wife of Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu, MLA.

II. Motion under Rule 16 regarding Adjournment of Assembly *sine-die*.

(Carried)

### 3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

The Vidhan Sabha elected Ch. Swarna Ram as Deputy Speaker on the 18th June, 1997.

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### 4. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 5th June, 1997, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) :-

1. Shri Manoranjan Kalia, MLA.
  2. Prof. Sujan Singh, MLA.
  3. Sardar Jagir Singh, MLA.
  4. Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora, MLA.
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### 5. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on the dates mentioned against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the deceased	Date on which reference was made
1	2	3
1.	Sardar Atma Singh, Ex-Minister, Punjab.	10-6-97
2.	Comrade Bachan Singh Bakshiwala, Ex-MLA.	„
3.	Shri Lekh Ram Thakur, Ex-Deputy Speaker of Erstwhile Pepsu Vidhan Sabha.	„
4.	Shri Biju Patnaik, Ex-Chief Minister of Orissa.	„
5.	Sardar Dayal Singh, Freedom Fighter.	„
6.	Sardar Partap Singh Baghi, Freedom Fighter.	„
7.	Comrade Kirpal Singh, Freedom Fighter.	„
8.	Shri Jagdish Rai Monga, RSS Worker.	„
9.	Jathedarni Manmohan Kaur Chadda, Freedom- Fighter.	„
10.	Victims of Mecca Fire Tragedy.	„
11.	Victims of Earthquake in Jabalpur Region (Madhya Pradesh).	„
12.	Sh. Hari Singh, Ex-Member, Vidhan Parishad.	17-6-97
13.	Victims of Uphaar Cinema Fire Tragedy at New-Delhi.	„
14.	Victims of bridge collapsed on Tanda Begowal- Road.	„

1	2
15. Bibi Jaswant Kaur, Ex-MLA.	14-7-97
16. The persons killed in a powerful bomb blast in a passenger train near Lehra Khana Railway-Station in District Bhatinda.	,,
17. Victims of bomb blast in a temple at Bagha-purana.	,,
18. Shri Chetan Anand, famous Film Producer and Director.	,,
19. Tikka Jagjit Singh Bedi, Former Justice.	,,
20. Shri Surinder Pratap Singh, Correspondent.	,,
21. Shri D. N. Singh, Correspondent.	,,
22. Smt. Narinder Biba, Famous Punjabi Singer.	,,
23. Smt. Bakhshish Kaur, Wife of Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu, MLA.	,,

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memories of the deceased on all the occasions.

## 6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

### (i) The Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98.

The Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 were presented to the House on the 11th June, 1997.

**General Discussion**—General Discussion on the Budget was held on the :—

13th June, 1997	For 203 minutes (Treasury 154 minutes and Congress 19 minutes).
16th June, 1997	For 198 minutes (Treasury 163 minutes and CPI 35 minutes).
17th June, 1997	For 154 minutes (Treasury 96 minutes and Congress 58 minutes).
18th June, 1997	For 206 minutes (Treasury 189 minutes and Independent 17 minutes).

The total time taken by the Treasury Benches including time taken by the Finance Minister was 602 minutes, Congress 107 minutes, CPI 35 minutes and Independent 17 minutes.

(ii) **Demands for Grants**—There were in all 30 Demands for Grants totalling a sum of Rs. 1,18,20,78,92,000/-.

Demands No. 12 & 5, and 1 & 25 were specifically discussed on the 20th June, 1997 and 23rd June, 1997 respectively and were put to the vote of the House and carried. The rest of the Demands were also put to the vote of the House on the 23rd June, 1997 and were carried.

For detail see statement at page infra.

(iii) **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1997**—The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1997 (Bill No. 8 PLA of 1997) in respect of the Demands voted by the Sabha and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab was introduced on the 24th June, 1997.

It was before the House for 60 minutes. 4 Members from Treasury Benches (including Finance Minister) and one each from Congress and CPI participated in the debates speaking for 29 minutes, 20 minutes and 11 minutes respectively.

The Bill was passed on the 24th June, 1997.

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# BUDGET ESTIMATES 1997-98

Sr. No.	Demand No.	Subject	Date on which discussed	Detailed statement showing the number of Cut Motions moved and No. of speeches made in respect of demands and dates on which these were discussed																				Remarks				
				No. of Speeches						Time Taken in Minutes						Cut Motions Moved						Cut Motions withdrawl/held out of order						
				Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	Ind.	Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	Ind.	Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	Ind.	Try.	INC		CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	Ind.
1.	12	Home Affairs & Justice	20-6-1997	7	2	1	—	1	—	144	43	12	—	08	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
	5	Education																										
2.	1	Agriculture & Forest	23-6-1997	5	1	1	—	1	—	93	23	18	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
	25	Social & Women's Welfare and Welfare of Scheduled Castes & Backward Classes																										

N.B.—Rest of Demands for Grants were also disposed of on 23-6-1997.





## 7. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on 24.6.1997.

### I. OFFICIAL BILLS

The Sabha passed 3 Bills in all (including one Appropriation Bill). (See Table)

### II. NON-OFFICIAL BILL

NIL



## 8. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA

### 1. THE PUNJAB APPROPRIATION (No. 2) BILL, 1997. (Introduced and passed on 24th June, 1997)

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of all money required to meet the expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund and the grants made in advance by the Legislative Assembly in respect of the estimated expenditure of the State Government, for the Financial Year 1997-98.

### 2. THE PUNJAB GENERAL SALES TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1997.

(Introduced and passed on 24th June, 1997)

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to provide a bonafide registered dealer in the State to get his goods released against a personal bond.

### 3. THE PUNJAB LAND REVENUE (ABOLITION) BILL, 1997.

(Introduced and passed on 24th June, 1997)

This Bill seeks to provide for the abolition of land revenue and additional land revenue payable under the Punjab Land Revenue Act, 1887.

## 9. RESOLUTIONS

### (I) OFFICIAL

Nil.

## (II) NON-OFFICIAL

Sr. No.	Total	Treasury	Bench	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD (MANN)	Independents
1. Number of Notices received.	36	5		20	11	—	—	—
2. Number of Notices admitted.	34	3		20	11	—	—	—
3. Number of Notices disallowed.	—	—		—	—	—	—	—
4. Number of Resolutions referred back.	02	02		—	—	—	—	—
5. Number of Resolutions for ballot.	34	3		20	11	—	—	—
6. Total number of Resolutions which lapsed on prorogation.	23	1		13	09	—	—	—
7. Number of ballots held	02							
8. Date on which ballot was held.		11-6-97 and 18-6-97						
9. Date on which business other than Government bussiness was transacted.		12-6-97 and 19-6-97						

On Thursday, the 12th June, 1997 Dr. Harbans Lal, MLA, moved the following Resolution :-

"This House recommends to the State Government to formulate such Housing Schemes under which the houses be constructed and allotted to the economically weaker sections of society in Urban as well as in the Rural areas of the State".

The Resolution was discussed in the House for 2 hours and 43 minutes, 11 members from the Treasury Benches, one member from I.N.C. and one member from C.P.I. Participated in the debate and spoke for 2 hours 8 minutes, 16 minutes and 19 minutes respectively.

The resolution was talked out.

On Thursday, the 19th June, 1997, Chaudhry Jagjit Singh, MLA, moved the following Resolution :-

"This House recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to enact suitable legislation to enforce unified syllabus and fee-structure in private schools running in the State".

The Resolution was discussed in the House for 3 hours and 6 minutes, 8 minutes and a Minister from the Treasury Benches, one member from I.N.C. and one member from C.P.I. participated in the debate and spoke for 2 hours 26 minutes, 25 minutes and 15 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was talked out.

## 10. PAPERS LAID/RE-LAID

Sr. No.	By whom laid/re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	12-6-1997	<p>1. The Punjab State Legal Services Authorities Rules, 1996 as required under sub-section (2) of Section 30 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1997.</p> <p>2. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation for the year 1995-96.</p> <p>3. The Balance Sheets of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92, as required under Section 27 (6) of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1976.</p> <p>4. The Bi-Annual Report of the Punjab State Council for Science and Technology for the years 1992-93 and 1993-94,</p> <p>5. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Report of the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96.</p> <p>6. The Audit Report on the Accounts on the Punjab La-</p>

bour Welfare Board for the years 1990-91 and 1991-92

7. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Reports of the Punjab State Handloom and Textiles Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1986-87 onwards.

8. The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development & Finance Corporation for the year 1987-88, as required under Section 27 (6) of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1970.

9. The 8th, 9th and 12th Annual Reports of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the years 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1987-89, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

10. The 23rd Annual Report of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd, for the year 1993-94 as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956,

2. Minister for 16.6.1997  
Parliamentary  
Affairs

- 1 The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts/ Reports of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for years 1991-92 to 1995-96.

2. The 11th Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Tou-

rism Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1989-90 alongwith Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Reports/ Accounts of the said Corporation for the year 1990-91 on wards, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

3. The Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana for the year 1991-92 alongwith Government's comments thereon as required under section 39 of the Haryana & Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.

3. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs 17-6-1997

1. The Punjab Payment of Allowances and Fees to the Chairmen, vice Chairmen and Members of the Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads Rules, 1996, as required under subsection (3) of Section 227 of the Punjab Panchyati Raj Act, 1994.

2. The Annual Statement of Accounts of Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1995-96 alongwith Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the said Statement as required under section 69 (5) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

4. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs 20-6-1997

1. The 14th Annual Reports of the Goindwal Industrial & Investment Corporation of Punjab Ltd. for the year 1994-95 as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
2. The 12th Annual Report & Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1990-91, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.



3. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Reports of the Punjab State Leather Development Corporation Ltd. for the years 1992-93 to 1994-95.

5. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs 23.6.1997

The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts and Reports of the Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the years 1989-90 to 1995-96.

## 11. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Sr. No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
<b>BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE</b>			
1.	Speaker	11.6.1997	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
2.	Speaker	17.6.1997	Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Notice of three adjournment motions were received on different dates from different Members. Out of these, two were mentioned in the House, the details of which are given below :—

Serial No.	Date of the Motion	Date on which mentioned in the House.	Member(s) giving Notice	Subject	Decision
1.	16.6.97	17.6.97	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh	Regarding fixation of Missiles on the Border of Hindustan and Pakistan.	Disallowed
2.	23.6.97	24.6.97	Shri Hardev Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta.	Regarding non-supply of electricity to the farmers.	Disallowed

### 13. QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE

Notice of five Privilege Motions were received. However, the following Motion was disposed of in the House :—

Serial No.	Date	Member(s) giving notice	Subject-matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5
1.	23.6.97	Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh	Statement by the Leader of the Opposition, Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, while participating in the General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 that her Government had earmarked funds to the tune of Rs. 300 crores for the construction of a road to Sri Hemkunt Sahib and also had undertaken construction of a road to be known as Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Marg, which statement was contradicted by the Finance Minister in his reply to the General Discussion on the Budget on 18-6-93 as no evidence was available in the official record to support the statement made by the Leader of the Opposition.	The Hon'ble Speaker, after considering the point raised in the Question of Privilege and the clarification of the Leader of the Opposition that the decision of earmarking of funds to the tune of Rupees three crores for the construction of a road to Sri Hemkunt Sahib had been taken informally as the Party level and informal orders in this behalf could not be issued on account of issuance of notification declaring the dates for the Assembly Elections and promulgation of the code of conduct, ruled that it does not constitute breach of Privilege of the House, hence dropped.

## 14. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussion on	Subject	Decision/Remarks
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	11.6.97	11.6.97	Adoption of recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
2.	—do—	17.6.97	17.6.97	Adoption of recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
3.	—do—	24.6.97	24.6.97	Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly sine-die.	Carried
4.	—do—	14.7.97	14.7.97	Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly sine-die.	Carried

### 15. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 66

In all 53 notices calling attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these, 22 were admitted. Four admitted notices could not be taken up in the House due to paucity of time. The detail of the remaining 18 admitted notices which were taken up in the House is given below :—

The rest were disallowed by the Speaker in his chamber on one ground or the other.

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member(s) Calling Attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	2	Smt. Laxmi Kantha Chawla	12.6.97	Discontentment amongst the residents of Amritsar city due to acute shortage of water and electricity.	The Chief Minister made a statement.
2.	5	Shri Hardev Arshi	12.6.97	Discontentment amongst the farmers due to shortage of cold-storage capacity for potatoes in the State.	The Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of Scheduled Castes & Backward Classes made a statement.

1	2	3	4	5	6
3.	6	Master Mohan Lal	12.6.97	Discontentment amongst the farmers due to the purchasing of the sugarcane by the Panjar Sugar Mill, Gurdaspur at half the actual price on the basis of Laboratory test.	The Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of Scheduled Castes & Backward Classes made a statement.
4.	7	Shri Hardev Arshi	16.6.97	Discontentment amongst the people due to non-availability of judicial stamps of Rs. five denomination in the State.	The Minister for Revenue and Rehabilitation made a statement.
5.	12	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	17.6.97	Inconvenience being caused to travellers, especially women, due to location of liquor vends and Aha-tas attached therewith near Railway Stations and Bus Stands in the State.	The Chief Minister made a statement.
6.	15	Shri Hardev Arshi	17.6.97	Discontentment amongst the farmers due to heavy damage caused to the cotton crops and grapes by rains and storms in District Mansa.	The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement.

1	2	3	4	5	6
7.	17	1. Shri Hardev Arshi 2. Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta	17.6.97	Great tension prevailing amongst the residents of village Kapiyal, District Sangrur, due to social boycott of farm labourers by the rich landlords of the village.	The Chief Minister made a statement.
8.	16	1. Shri Hardev Arshi 2. Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta.	19.6.97	Great resentment amongst the Punjabi farmer who made the barren land cultivable in U.P., due to their uprootment by the U.P. Government,	The Minister for Finance, Planning & Information and Public Relations made a statement.
9.	20 35	1. Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla 2- Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla	19.6.97	Inconvenience being faced by the patients due to non-availability of X-Ray to Films in the Government Hospital at Amritsar.	The Minister for Local Government, Health and Family Welfare and Medical Education made a statement.
10.	22	Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu	19.6.97	Discontentment amongst the farmers due to non-payment of sugarcane price to them by the Piccadilly Sugar Mill, Patran.	The Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of Scheduled Castes & Backward Classes made a statement.

1	2	3	4	5	6
11.	26 & 34	1. Sh. Satya Pal Saini 2. Master Mohan Lal 3. Shri Ram Lal	20.6.97	Great resentment amongst people in many villages of Shahpur Kandi Areas in Distt. Gurdaspur due to acute shortage of drinking water.	The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health & Parliamentary Affairs made a statement.
12.	27	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	20.6.97	Apprehension of spread of diseases in Amritsar City due to accumulation of garbage and filth there.	The Minister for Local Government and Health and Family Welfare and Medical Education made a statement.
13.	31	S. Sital Singh	23.6.97	Great apprehension of floods during the ensuing rainy season due to non-implementation of decision to construct dams on both sides of River Sutlej from Dharmkot to Zira.	The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement.
14.	32	Smt. Satwant Kaur Sandhu	23.6.97	Great inconvenience likely to be faced by the people in crossing Siswan rivulet on Bela-Ropar Road during the ensuing rainy season due to non-operation of newly completed bridge thereon.	The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement.



1	2	3	4	5	6
15.	33	Raja Narinder Singh	23.6.97	Great resentment amongst the Panches and Sarpanch of village Bhadson, District Patiala, due to high-handedness of the local police in keeping the Sarpanch & Panches in illegal custody.	The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement.
16.	39	S. Dhanwant Singh	24.6.97	Apprehension of the breach of peace in village Bakshi-wala, District Patiala, due to efforts on the part of some influential persons to take unauthorised possession of some agriculture land with the help of the local police.	The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health & Parliamentary Affairs made a statement.

## 16. STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

The Chief Minister/Ministers made a total number of 18 statements including 17 statements made in reply to Call Attention Notices, The detail in regard to the other statements is as under :—

Sr. No.	Date	Made by	Subject Matter
1	2	3	4
1.	24.6.97	Minister for Food & Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs.	Regarding an issues raised by some Hon'. Members with respect to writing of threatening letters by some workers of Youth Congress (1) to some rich persons of Amritsar and extortion of money from them.

# 17. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

Number of Speeches made by							Time taken by						
Treasury Benches		Members of I.N.C.	Members of C.P.I.	Members of B.S.P.	Members of S.A.D.(M)	Independents	Treasury Benches		Members of I.N.C.	Members of C.P.I.	Member of B.S.P.	Member of S.A.D.(M)	Independents
Members excluding Ministers	Ministers						Members excluding Ministers	Ministers					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
58	15	12	10	2	6	2	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.
55.23	14.28	11.42	9.53	1.91	5.72	1.91	46.29	24.59	15.39	8.97	0.87	2.71	1.18
Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent

Note. - (1) Observations/Statements/Rulings, etc. by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the statement.

(3) Time taken on Division, Adjournment Motions, Call Attention Notices, Privilege Motions, Points of Order, Motions in respect of Legislation, Personal Explanations, etc. is also excluded from the Statement.



## 18. FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1. Total No. of sittings of the Sabha	12
2. Total No. of notices of Questions received	
Starred	342
Unstarred	98
3. Total No. of Short Notice Questions received	NIL
4. Total No. of sittings at which Questions were not taken up.	2
5. Total No. of Members from whom notices were received.	36
6. Total No. of Questions to which oral answers were given.	150
7. Largest No. of Questions orally answered on any one day. (11.6.97)	20
8. Least No. of Questions orally answered on any one day. (17.6.1997)	12
9. Total No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions.	71
10. Total No. of Unstarred Questions replied to	59
11. Total No. of Starred Questions postponed.	10
12. Largest No. of Questions addressed to any one Minister on any one day. (C.M. on 11.6.1997)	15
13. Largest No. of Questions orally answered by any one Minister on any one day. (C.M. on 11.6.1997)	15

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20. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS ANSWERED, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE.

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	IND	TOTAL
11.6.97	4	8	4	4	—	—	—	20
12.6.97	2	6	7	1	2	—	—	18
13.6.97	2	6	3	2	1	—	—	14
16.6.97	2	7	3	2	1	—	2	17
17.6.97	—	4	3	4	—	—	1	12
18.6.97	4	2	1	4	—	—	2	13
19.6.97	3	4	—	3	—	—	2	12
20.6.97	8	4	2	1	—	—	1	16
23.6.97	7	2	2	3	—	—	2	16
24.6.97	3	1	1	3	—	2	2	12

21. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED  
QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN ANSWERED  
UNDER RULE 38, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	IND	TOTAL
11.6.97	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12.6.97	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13.6.97	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	4
16.6.97	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17.6.97	2	—	1	—	1	—	1	5
18.6.97	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19.6.97	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	3
20.6.97	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	2
23.6.97	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24.6.97	2	—	—	1	—	—	1	4
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**22. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS IN THE NAMES OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS, DATE-WISE.**

Date	Chief Minister	Local Govt. & Health Minister	Cooperation Minister	Rev. & Rehabilitation Minister	Agriculture & Welfare of S.Cs. & B.Cs. Minister	Food & Supplies and Public Health Minister	Finance & Planning Minister	Housing & Urban Development Minister	Technical Education & Industrial Training Minister	Rural Development and Panchayats Minister
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
11.6.97	15	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
12.6.97	15	1	1	—	2	—	—	1	—	—
13.6.97	10	6	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	3
16.6.97	8	4	—	1	4	—	—	1	1	1
17.6.97	10	1	—	—	3	—	1	—	1	2
18.6.97	6	3	—	—	4	—	—	1	—	—
19.6.97	11	2	1	1	1	1	—	—	1	—
20.6.97	10	3	—	3	—	2	—	—	—	2
23.6.97	13	2	—	1	2	—	—	—	1	—
24.6.97	10	3	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	1

23. STATEMENT REGARDING STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED FROM SOME OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS WHICH WERE INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF POSTPONED STARRED QUESTIONS

Date	Chief Minister	Local Govt. & Health Minister	Coop. Minister	Revenue & Rehabilitation Minister	Agriculture & Welfare of S.Cs. & B.Cs. Minister	Food & Supplies Minister	Finance & Planning Minister	Housing & Urban Development Minister	Technical Education & Industrial Training Minister	Rural Development and Panchayats Minister
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
24.6.97	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—

24. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED  
QUESTIONS POSTPONED DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	IND	TOTAL
11.6.97	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12.6.97	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13.6.97	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
16.6.97	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2
17.6.97	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1
18.6.97	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
19.6.97	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
20.6.97	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
23.6.97	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
24.6.97	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
								10

## 25. WALK-OUTS

Serial No.	Date	Member (s) walking out	Occasion
1.	12th June, 1997	Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, Leader of the Opposition along with all the Members of the Congress Party, present in the House.	As a protest against not allowing Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, Leader of Opposition to complete the issue raised through a Point of Order.
2.	12th June, 1997	Members of the Communist Party of India.	As a protest against repeated interruptions by the Treasury Benches and for not allowing them to speak.
3.	13th June, 1997	Dr. Harbans Lal and S. Gurcharan Singh Dirba of Indian National Congress.	As a protest against the discussion being not on the Budget Estimates.
4.	23rd June, 1997	All the Members of the Indian National Congress and Communist Party of India, present in the House, and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, (Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann) and Sardar Malkiat Singh (Independent).	As a protest against not being allowed to ask more supplementaries.

## 26. PERSONAL EXPLANATION

The following Personal Explanation was made during the Session :

Sr. No.	Date	Name of the Member	Occasion
1	2	3	4

1. 18-6-97 Chaudhary Jagjit Singh

In respect of remarks made against him by Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira regarding utilization of funds earmarked by the previous government for the welfare of Scheduled Castes.

## 27. UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Sr. No.	Expression	Date
1	ਜ਼ਿੰਨੀ ਕਾਂਗਰਸ ਪਾਰਟੀ ਦੀ ਘਟੀਆ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਸੀ, ਉਤਨੀ ਘਟੀਆ ਕੋਈ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ ।	(When used with reference to a Political Party) 23-6-1997
2	ਝੂਠ ਬੋਲਣ ਦਾ ਤਾਂ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦਾ ਸੁਭਾਅ ਹੀ ਹੈ——— ਵਾਇਦੇ ਕਰਕੇ ਮੁੱਕ ਰਹੇ ਆਪ ਹਨ ।	(When used with reference to a Political Party) 23-6-1997
3	ਜਦ ਕਿ ਲੁਟੇਰੇ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਪਾਰਟੀ ਨੇ ਪੈਦਾ ਕੀਤੇ ਹੋਏ ਹਨ ।	(When used with reference to a Political Party) 24-6-1997

## APPENDIX-I

## 28. BULLETINS

(Containing brief record of the proceedings of the  
meetings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha

held during its Budget (Second)

Session, 1997)

## BULLETIN NO. 1

*Tuesday, the 10 June, 1997*

(From 2-00 P.M. to 3-15 P.M.)

## 1. Oath or Affirmation by a Member:

Sardar Jagdish Singh Garcha (S.A.D.) declared elected in the bye-election from Kila Raipur Assembly constituency (District Ludhiana) took oath in Punjabi.

## 2. Obituary References :

The Chief Minister made references to the deaths of :-

1. Sardar Atma Singh, Ex-Minister, Punjab.
2. Comrade Bachan Singh Bakhshiwal, Ex-M.L.A.
3. Sh. Lekh Ram Thakur, Former Deputy Speaker of Erst-while Pepsu State.
4. Shri Biju Patnaik, Former Chief Minister, Orissa.
5. Sardar Dayal Singh, Freedom Fighter.
6. Sardar Partap Singh Baghi, Freedom Fighter.
7. Comrade Kirpal Singh, Freedom Fighter.
8. Shri Jagdish Rai Monga, RSS Worker.
9. Jathedarni Manmohan Kaur Chadda, Freedom Fighter.
10. Victims of Mecca Fire Tragedy.
11. Victims of Earthquake in Jabalpur Region (Madhya Pradesh)

He expressed deep sorrow. While paying tributes, he made reference to the death of Shri Harminder Singh, Minister, Haryana and expressed deep sorrow. He made a request to send messages of condolence to the bereaved families of the deceased. While expressing his condolences, he spoke for 14 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members paid tributes to the personalities mentioned above and spoke for the time shown against each:-

- |  |           |
|--|-----------|
| 1. The Minister for Local Government<br>and Health & Family Welfare<br>(Shri Balramji Dass Tandon) | — 07 Min. |
| 2. Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal<br>(Indian National Congress)                                    | — 16 Min. |
| 3. Comrade Hardev Arshi (C.P.I.)   | — 16 Min. |
| 4. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra<br>(B.S.P.)  | — 09 Min. |
| 5. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh (S.A.D)<br>(Mann)   | — 07 Min. |

The Hon'ble Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Hon'ble Members regarding deaths of the persons mentioned above.

Thereafter, Members of the House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the departed souls.

Thereafter, on the request of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, the House adjourned till 9-00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 11th June, 1997, without transacting any business.



## BULLETIN NO. 2

*Wednesday, 11th June, 1997.*

(From 9.00 A.M. to 11.40 A.M.)

## 1. Questions :

## (a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the order paper.	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of supplementaries.
20	20	—	—	35

## (b) Un-Starred-14

## 2. First Report of the Business Advisory Committee :

The Hon'ble Speaker presented the first Report of the Business Advisory Committee to the House on the programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from 11th June, 1997 to 23rd June, 1997.

The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs moved the following motion :

“That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.”

The Motion was put and carried.

## 3. Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 :

The Finance Minister presented the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98.

While presenting the Budget Estimates, he read out his Budget speech for 1 hour and 36 minutes.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 12th June, 1997.

## BULLETIN NO. 3

*Thursday, the 12th June, 1997*

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

**1. Questions :-****(a) Starred :**

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplemen- taries
20	18	2	—	34

**(b) Unstarred : 11****2. Announcement by the Speaker :-**

Under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, the Speaker nominated the following Members to serve on the Panel of Chairmen :

1. Shri Manoranjan Kalia
2. Sardar Sujan Singh
3. Prof. Jagir Singh
4. Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora.

**3. Announcement by the Secretary :-**

The Secretary made the following announcement :-

“I lay on the Table of the House a Statement showing the Bills which were passed by the 11th Punjab Vidhan Sabh during its First Session and which have since been assented to by the Governor.”

**4. Calling Attention Notices :-**

1. Calling Attention Notice (No. 2) given notice of by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. drawing attention towards discontentment amongst the residents of Amritsar City due to acute shortage of water and electricity in the city in these terrible Summer days, was admitted.

Chief Minister made a statement in this behalf.

2. Calling Attention Notice (No. 5) given Notice of by Shri Hardev Arshi, M.L.A. drawing attention towards discontentment amongst the farmers due to shortage of cold storage capacity for potatoes in the State, was admitted.

Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of Scheduled Castes & Backward Classes made a statement in this behalf.

3. Calling Attention Notice (No. 6) given Notice of by Master Mohan Lal, M.L.A. drawing attention towards discontentment amongst the farmers due to the purchasing of the sugarcane by the Panjar Sugar Mills Gurdaspur at half the actual price on the basis of laboratory test, was admitted.

Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes, made a statement in this behalf.

#### **5. Papers Re-laid/Laid on the Table :-**

The Minister for Food & Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs Relaid/Laid on the Table :-

1. The Punjab State Legal Services Authorities Rules, 1996, as required under Sub-Section (2) of Section 30 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.
2. A Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation for the year 1995-96.
3. The Balance Sheets of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92, as required under Section 27(6) of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1976.
4. The Bi-Annual Report of the Punjab State Council for Science and Technology for the years 1992-93 and 1993-94.
5. A Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Report of the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96.
6. The Audit Report on the Accounts of the Punjab Labour Welfare Board for the years 1990-91 and 1991-92.
7. A Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Reports of the Punjab State Handloom and Textiles Development Corporation Ltd. for the years, 1986-87 onwards.
8. The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development & Finance Corporation for the

year 1987-88, as required under Section 27(6) of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1970.

9. The 8th, 9th and 12th Annual Reports of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Limited for the years 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1987-88 as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
10. The 23rd Annual Report of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd. for the year 1993-94 as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

#### 6. Non-Official Resolution :-

Dr. Harbans Lal, M.L.A, moved the following resolution :-

“This House recommends to the State Govt. to formulate such Housing Schemes under which the houses be constructed and allotted to the economically weaker sections of the society in urban as well as in the rural areas of the State.”

and while doing so, he spoke for 16 minutes.

The following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion on the resolution and spoke for the time given against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1.	Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh (S.A.D.)	36 Minutes
2.	Shri Manoranjan Kalia (B.J.P.)	12 „
3.	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta (C.P.I.)	19 „
4.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (B.J.P.)	08 „
5.	Master Mohan Lal (B.J.P.)	11 „
6.	Sardar Makhan Singh (S.A.D.)	11 „
7.	Sardar Sadhu Singh Payal (S.A.D.)	10 „
8.	Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli (S.A.D.)	07 „
9.	Sardar Tota Singh (S.A.D.)	07 „
10.	Sardar Gobind Singh Kanjhla (S.A.D.)	08 „
11.	Shri Ram Lal (B.J.P.)	09 „
12.	Chaudhry Swarna Ram (B.J.P.)	09 „

The Resolution was talked out because Ch. Swarna Ram was still on his legs when the House adjourned.

#### 7. Walk-out :-

1. Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, Leader of the Opposition Party and all the Hon'ble Members of the Congress Party, present in the House, staged a walk-out as Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal was not allowed to complete the issue raised through a Point of Order.

2. The Hon'ble Members of the Communist Party of India staged a walk-out as they were being interrupted time and again by the Treasury Benches, and were not being allowed to speak.

#### 8. No Point of Orders :-

The points of order raised by the following Hon'ble Members were declared as 'No Point of Order :-

Sr. No.	Name of Hon'ble Member	Points of order declared as 'No Point of Order'
1,	Sardar Tej Parkash Singh	01
2.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar	01
3.	Dr. Harbans Lal	02

Sardar Sujan Singh, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 10.54 A.M. to 11.32 A.M.

Shri Manoranjan Kalia, a member on the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 11.55 A.M. to 1.24 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Friday, the 13th June, 1997.

## BULLETIN NO. 4

*Friday, the 13th June, 1997.*

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M)

**1. Questions :-****(a) Starred**

Total No. of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries.
20	14	01	01	41

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38.

**(b) Unstarred :- 07****2. Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 :-****General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the Year 1997-98.**

The following Members while participating in the discussion spoke for the time given against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1.	Ch. Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	49 Minutes
2.	S. Manpreet Singh Badal (S.A.D.)	22 „
3.	S. Tota Singh (S.A.D.)	28 „
4.	S. Mahesh Inder Singh (S.A.D.)	40 „
5.	S. Baldev Singh Khiala (S.A.D.)	45 „
6.	Ch. Swarna Ram (B.J.P.)	19 „

Ch. Swarna Ram was still on his legs when the House adjourned. He will continue his speech on Monday, the 16th, June 1997.

### 3. Walk-out :

Two Members of Indian National Congress, present in the House—Dr. Harbans Lal and S. Gurcharan Singh Dirba staged a walk out from the House saying that the discussion was not being held on the Budget Estimates.

### 4. Points of Order :-

Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members were declared as No Point of Order' :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	No. of Points of Order declared as 'No Point of Order'
1.	Sh. Jagdish Sawhney	01
2.	Sh. Romesh Chander Dogra	01
3.	S. Inderjeet Singh Zira	01

Sardar Sujan Singh, a member on Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 11.00 A.M. to 1.16 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Monday, the 16th June, 1997.

## BULLETIN NO. 5

*Monday, the 16th June, 1997*

**(From 2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)**

**1- Questions :**

**(a) Starred :**

Total number of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries.
20	17	01	02	38

**(b) Unstarred : 04**

**2. Calling Attention Notice :**

Calling Attention (No. 07) given notice of by Comrade Hardev Arshi, M.L.A. regarding discontentment amongst the people due to non-availability of Judicial Stamps of Rs. 5 denomination in the State, was admitted.

The Minister for Revenue and Rehabilitation made a reply in this behalf

**3. Papers laid on the Table :**

The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table ;

1. A Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts/Reports of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd., for the years 1991-92 to 1995-96;

2. The 11th Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd., for the year 1989-90 alongwith Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Reports/Accounts of the said Corporation for the years 1990-91 onwards, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

3. The Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana for the year 1991-92, alongwith Government's comments thereon as required under Section 39 of the Haryana & Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.



#### 4. Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 :-

##### Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 :-

Hon'ble Member, Ch. Swarna Ram, who was still on his legs when the House adjourned on 13th June, 1997, while resuming the general discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98, spoke for 19 minutes.

Besides him, the following Members took part in the General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 and spoke for time indicated against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Arshi (C.P.I.)	35 Minutes
2.	Raja Narinder Singh (S.A.D.)	32 "
3.	Shri Manoranjan Kalia (B.J.P.)	19 "
4.	Sardar Makhan Singh (S.A.D.)	33 "
5.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (B.J.P.)	31 "
6.	Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli (S.A.D.)	25 "
7.	Master Mohan Lal (B.J.P.)	04 "

Master Mohan Lal was still on his legs when the House adjourned. He will resume his speech on Tuesday, the 17th June, 1997.

Prof. Jagir Singh, a member on the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.17 P.M. to 6.19 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 9-00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 17th June, 1997.

## BULLETIN NO. 6

*Tuesday, the 17th June, 1997*

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

**1. Obituary References :**

Hon'ble Chief Minister made reference to the deaths of the following :-

1. Shri Hari Singh, Ex-Member, Vidhan Parishad;
2. Victims of Uphaar Cinema Fire Tragedy, at New Delhi;
3. Victims of road accident near village Miani on account of collapse of bridge on Tanda-Begowal Road;

and while paying tributes, he expressed deep sorrow and grief. He made reference to the death of the mother of Shri R.S. Mann, Chief Secretary, Punjab and expressed deep sorrow. He expressed that the deaths caused due to food poisoning at Ram Tirath was a tragic incident. He also expressed deep sorrow over the demise of an Ex-Minister, Shri Hari Kishan Shastri, son of the Late Prime Minister, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri, and made a request to include this message in the messages of condolence.

He also made a request that messages of condolence be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased.

While expressing his condolences, he spoke for 6 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members paid tributes to the departed souls and spoke for the time given against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1.	Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (I.N.C.)	05 Minutes
2.	Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes. (Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal)	01 „
3.	Com. Hardev Arshi (C.P.I.)	09 „
4.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (S.A.D.) (Mann)	05 „

While paying tributes to the departed personalities, the Hon'ble Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Hon'ble Members. It was decided, with the consent of the House, to send the messages of condolence to the bereaved families.

The House then observed silence for two minutes for the spiritual peace of the departed souls.

## 2. Questions :-

### (a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries.
18	12	—	01	29

The Supplementaries on Starred Question No. 411 were postponed for 18th June, 1997.

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

### (b) Unstarred : 04

## 3. Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee :

The Speaker presented Report of the Business Advisory Committee to the House on the programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from 18th June, 1997 to 24th June, 1997.

Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs moved the following motion :-

“That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.”  
The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## 4. Calling Attention Notices :

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 12) given notice of by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. regarding inconvenience being caused to travellers, especially women, due to location of liquor vends and Ahatas attached therewith near railway stations and bus stands in the State, was admitted.

Hon'ble Chief Minister made a statement in this behalf.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 15) given notice of by Shri Hardev Arshi, M.L.A. regarding discontentment amongst the farmers due to heavy damage caused to the cotton crops and grapes by recent rains and storms in District Mansa, was admitted.

Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in the behalf.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 17) given notice of by Shri Hardev Arshi, M.L.A. and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, M.L.A., regarding great tension prevailing amongst the residents of village Kapial, District Sangrur, due to social boycott of farm labourers by the rich landlords of the village, was admitted.

Hon'ble Chief Minister made a statement in this behalf.

#### 5. Papers laid on the Table :

The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table :

1. The Punjab Payment of Allowances and Fees to the Chairmen, Vice Chairmen and Members of the Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads Rules, 1996, as required under Sub-Section (3) of Section 227, of the Punjab Panchyati Raj Act, 1994:
2. The Annual Statement of Accounts of Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1995-96, alongwith statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the said statement, as required under section 69(5) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

#### 6. The Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 :

**Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 :**

Hon'ble Member, Master Mohan Lal (Bhartiya Janta Party), who was still on his legs when the House adjourned on the 16th June, 1997, while resuming General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98, spoke for 12 minutes.

Besides him. the following Members took part in the General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98

and spoke for the time indicated against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1.	Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, (Indian National Congress)	58 Minutes
2.	The Minister for Local Government, Health and Family Welfare and Medical Education (Shri Bakramji Dass Tandon)	69 .. (1 Hr. 09 Minutes)
3.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann))	13 Minutes
4.	Sardar Sujan Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	02 ..

Hon'ble Member, Sardar Sujan Singh was still on his legs when the House adjourned. He will continue his speech when the General Discussion on the Budget Estimates is resumed on Wednesday, the 18th June, 1997.

#### 7. Points of Order :

The Points of Order raised by the following Hon'ble Members were declared as 'No Points of Order' :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	No. of Points of Order declared as 'No Point of Order'.
1.	Shri Avtar Henry	01
2.	Chaudhry Jagjit Singh	02
3.	Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal	01

Prof. Jagir Singh, a member on Panel of the Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 12.23 P.M. to 12.54 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 18th June, 1997.

## BULLETIN NO.7

*Wednesday, the 18th June, 1997*

(From 9.00 A.M. to 2.01 P.M.)

**1. Questions :-****(a) Starred :**

Supplementaries on Starred Question No. 411, which was answered in the House on the 17th June, 1997, were resumed Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries.
14	13	—	01	33

**(b) Unstarred : 04****2. Election of Deputy Speaker :**

Hon'ble Chief Minister moved that Ch. Swarna Ram, a Member of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, who is present in the House, be elected as the Deputy Speaker of the House.

The Minister for Local Government and Health & Family Welfare and Medical Education, Shri Balramji Dass Tandon seconded the motion.

Since the name of no other Hon'ble Member had been proposed, the Hon'ble Speaker declared Ch. Swarna Ram unanimously elected as the Deputy Speaker.

Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated Ch. Swarna Ram for his unanimous election as the Deputy Speaker.

Names of the Hon'ble Members, who felicitated Ch. Swarna Ram, on his unanimous election as the Deputy Speaker, are as follows :

1. Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (Indian National Congress)
2. Comrade Hardev Arshi (Communist Party of India).

3. Hon'ble Minister for Local Government and Health & Family Welfare and Medical Education (Sh. Balramji Dass Tandon).
4. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)).
5. Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent).

The Hon'ble Speaker also congratulated Ch. Swarna Ram on his unanimous election as the Deputy Speaker.

Ch. Swarna Ram thanked all the Hon'ble Members of the House for having unanimously elected him as the Deputy Speaker. He assured that he shall be responsive to the feelings of the Hon'ble Members of all the parties in the House and that he shall listen to all the Members dispassionately while performing his duties in an impartial manner.

### 3. Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98:

#### Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98.

While resuming the General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98, Hon'ble Member, Sardar Sujan Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal) who was still on his legs on 17.06.1997 when the House adjourned, spoke for 08 minutes.

Besides him, the following Members took part in the General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 and spoke for the time given against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1.	S. Adesh Partap Singh Kairon (S.A.D.)	15 Minutes.
2.	S. Gobind Singh Kanjhla (S.A.D.)	05 Minutes.
3.	S. Mantaar Singh (Independent)	17 Minutes.
4.	S Heera Singh Gabria (S.A.D.)	09 Minutes.
5.	Prof. Jagir Singh (S.A.D.)	09 Minutes.
6.	S. Inderjit Singh Zira (S.A.D.)	17 Minntes.
7.	Sh. Charanji Lal Garg (S.A.D.)	11 Minutes.
8.	Sh. Satyapal Saini (B.J.P.)	09 Minutes.
9.	S. Sewa Singh Seklwan (S.A.D.)	11 Minutes.
10.	Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla (B.J.P.)	09 Minutes.
11.	Bibi Jagir Kaur (S.A.D.)	16 Minutes.

The Hon'ble Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 1 Hr. and 10 Minutes.

**4. Personal Explanation by the Hon'ble Member Chaudhry Jagjit Singh.**

The Hon'ble Member, Chaudhry Jagjit Singh, in a personal explanation refuted the charges levelled against him by the Hon'ble Member, Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, to the effect that the funds which had been earmarked by the previous government for the welfare of the Scheduled Castes were in fact not utilised for the welfare of our brethren belonging to the Scheduled Castes but instead the Ministers had misappropriated the funds for their own interests.

**3. Extension of time of the sitting of the House :**

The Hon'ble Speaker with the consent of the House, extended the time of the sitting of the House, till the speech of the Hon'ble Finance Minister was over.

The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.19 A.M. to 12.40 P.M.

The House, then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 19th June, 1997.



## BULLETIN NO. 8

Thursday, the 19th June, 1997

(9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

**I. Announcement by the Secretary regarding absence of the Speaker:**

The Secretary made the following Announcement :

“As required under Rule 13(3) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, I am to inform the House that due to certain unavoidable circumstances, the Hon. Speaker is not present in the House, and therefore, the Hon. Deputy Speaker will occupy the Chair.”

**II. Questions :**

(a) Starred :

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Total number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
18	12	02	01	32

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The remaining questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

(b) Unstarred : 04

**III. Calling Attention Notices :**

1. Calling Attention Notice (No. 16) given notice of by Shri Hardev Arshi, M.L.A. and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, M.L.A., regarding great resentment amongst the Punjabi farmers who made the barren land cultivable in U.P., due to their up-rootment by the U.P. Government, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Finance, Planning and Information and Public Relations made a statement in this behalf.

2. Calling Attention (No. 20 and 35) given notice of by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. and Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla, M.L.A., regarding inconvenience being faced by the patients due to non-availability of X-Ray Films in the Government Hospitals at Amritsar, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Local Government, Health & Family Welfare and Medical Education made a statement in this behalf.

3. Calling Attention Notice (No. 22) given notice of by Shri Gurdev Singh Sidhu, M.L.A., regarding discontentment amongst the farmers due to non-payment of sugarcane price to them by the Piccadily Sugar Mills, Patran, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes made a statement in this behalf.

#### IV. Resolutions :

1. The Resolution of Hon. Member, Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora (Indian National Congress), that :

“This House recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to enact suitable legislation to enforce unified syllabus and fee structure in the private schools running in the State.”

could not be moved as the Hon. Member was not present in the House.

2. Hon. Member, Chaudhry Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress), moved the following Resolution :

“This House recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to enact suitable legislation to enforce unified syllabus and fee structure in the private schools running in the State.”

While moving the Resolution, he spoke for 25 minutes.

The following Hon. Members participated in the discussion on the Resolution and spoke for the time indicated against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Smt. Jagir Kaur (Shiromani Akali Dal)	18 minutes
2.	Master Mohan Lal (Bhartiya Janata Party)	26 minutes
3.	Raja Narinder Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	16 minutes
4.	Shri Manoranjan Kalia (Bhartiya Janata Party)	17 minutes

5.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bhartiya Janata Party)	10 minutes
6.	Shri Hardev Arshi (Communist Party of India)	15 minutes
7.	Sardar Makhan Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	18 minutes
8.	Shri Ram Lal (Bhartiya Janata Party)	09 minutes
9.	Sardar Tota Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	17 minutes
10.	Hon. Minister for Food & Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Madan Mohan Mittal)	15 minutes

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The Hon. Minister was still on his legs, when the House adjourned.

Sardar Sujan Singh, a member on the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 10.54 A.M. to 12.01 P.M.

The House, then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Friday, the 20th June, 1957.

## BULLETIN NO. 9

*Friday, the 20th June, 1997*

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.54 P.M.)

## 1. Questions :

## (a) Starred :

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries.
20	16	—	02	37

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

## (b) Unstarred : 05

## 2. Calling Attention Notices :

1. Calling Attention Notice (No. 26) given by Shri Satya Pal Saini, M.L.A. regarding great resentment prevailing amongst people in many villages of Shahpur Kandi areas in District Gurdaspur due to acute shortage of drinking water, was admitted.

The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a Statement in this regard.

2. Calling Attention Notice (No. 34) given by Master Mohan Lal and Shri Ram Lal, M.L.A.s, regarding resentment prevailing amongst residents of village Dunera of Dhar Sub-Tehsil of Pathankot Sub-Division due to non-provision of potable water to them despite the fact that a pipeline worth Rs. 9 lakh had been laid from village Bassa to Dunera, was admitted.

The Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this regard.

3. Calling Attention Notice (No. 27) given by Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. regarding apprehension of spread of diseases in Amritsar City due to accumulation of garbage and filth there, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Minister for Local Government and Health and Family Welfare and Medical Education made a Statement in this regard.

### 3. Papers Laid on the Table :

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs laid the following papers on the Table of the House :—

1. The 14th Annual Report of the Goindwal Industrial & Investment Corporation of Punjab Ltd., for the year 1994-95, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
2. The 12th Annual Report & Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd., for the year 1990-91, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
3. A statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Reports of the Punjab State Leather Development Corporation Ltd., for the years 1992-93 to 1994-95.
4. Discussion and Voting on the Demands for Grants relating to the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98 :-

The Hon'ble Speaker sought the approval of the House for both the demands on the List of Business i.e. Demand No. 12 and Demand No. 5 to be deemed to have been read and moved, which was granted by the House unanimously. It was also decided that both these demands would be discussed together and the Hon'ble Members will quote the number of Demand on which they want to speak.

Demand No. 12 relating to Home Affairs and Justice and Demand No. 5 relating to Education were discussed together. The following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :-

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Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar (I.N.C.)	42 Minutes
2.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (BJP)	14 ..
3.	Sardar Natha Singh Dalam (SAD)	20 ..

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4.	Raja Narinder Singh (SAD)	15 Minutes
5.	Shri Charanji Lal Garg (SAD)	20 „
6.	Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh (SAD)	12 „
7.	Shri Hardev Arshi (CPI)	12 „
8.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh (SAD) (Mann)	08 „
9.	Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla (BJP)	09 „
10.	Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (INC)	01 „

The Hon'ble Chief Minister, by way of reply to the discussion on both the above-mentioned Demands i.e. Demand No. 12 and Demand No. 5, spoke for 54 minutes.

Demand No. 12 relating to Home Affairs and Justice and Demand No. 5 relating to Education were put to the vote of the House together, with the consent of the House and carried.

#### 5. Extension of the time of the sitting :-

The Hon'ble Speaker with the consent of the House, extended the time of the sitting of the House till the demands were passed.

The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.27 A.M. to 12.37 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Monday, the 23rd June, 1997.

## BULLETIN NO. 10

*Monday, the 23rd June, 1997*

(From 2.00 P.M. to 5.55 P.M.)

**1. Questions :**

(a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries.
19	16	02	01	39

(b) Unstarred : 4

**2. Walkout :**

As the Question Hour was over, the Hon'ble Members of the Opposition were not allowed to ask more supplementaries in respect of Starred Question No. 482, as a protest of which all the Hon'ble Members of the Indian National Congress and Communist Party of India, present in the House, and Hon'ble Members S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)), and S. Malkiat Singh (Independent), staged a walk-out from the House.

**3. Question of Privilege :**

The Hon'ble Member, Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal) raised a Question of Privilege that the Leader of the Opposition and the Ex-Chief Minister, Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, had, on 17.6.1997, while participating in the General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98, stated in the House that their Govt. had earmarked funds to the tune of Rupees three crores for the construction of a road to Sri Hemkunt Sahib, and also undertaken the construction of a road to be known as Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Marg. This statement of the Leader of the Opposition was contradicted by the Hon'ble Minister for Finance on 18.6.1997, while giving reply to the General Discussion on the Budget, who stated that he had gone through all the relevant files of his department but had found no evidence of any decision as stated by the Leader of the Opposition. Thus, as per the Hon'ble Member, the Leader of the Opposition

had made a mis-statement in the House and had misled the House which constitutes a Breach of Privilege of the House.

The Leader of the Opposition, Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal clarified that the decision for earmarking of funds to the tune of Rupees three crore for the construction of a road to Sri Hemkunt Sahib had been taken informally at the Party level, and formal orders in this behalf could not be issued on account of issuance of notification declaring the dates for the Assembly Elections and promulgation of the code of conduct.

The Hon'ble Speaker, after considering the points raised in the Question of Privilege and also giving weightage to the clarification made in the House by the Leader of the Opposition, gave his ruling that it does not constitute a Breach of Privilege of the House, and, therefore, he dropped it.

### 3. Calling Attention Notices :

1. Calling Attention Notice (No. 31) given by Sardar Sital Singh, M.L.A. regarding great apprehension of floods during the ensuing rainy season due to non-implementation of the decision to construct dams on both sides of River Sutlej from Dharamkot to Zira, was admitted.

Hon'ble Minister for Food & Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this regard.

2. Calling Attention Notice (No. 32) given by Smt. Satwant Kaur Sandhu, M.L.A. regarding great inconvenience likely to be faced by the people in crossing Siswan rivulet on Bela-Ropar Road during the ensuing rainy season on account of the fact that the newly built completed bridge thereon has not been made operational, was admitted.

Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this regard.

3. Calling Attention Notice (No. 33) given by Raja Narinder Singh, M.L.A. regarding great resentment amongst the Panches and Sarpanch of village Bhadsen, District Patiala, on account of high-handedness of the local police in keeping the Sarpanch and Panches of the village in illegal custody for three days, was admitted.

Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this regard.

### 4. Papers Laid on the Table :

Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table a statement showing the



reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts/Reports of the Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the years 1989-90 to 1995-96.

**5. Discussion and Voting on Demands for Grants relating to the Budget Estimates for the year 1997-98.**

Hon'ble Speaker stated that two out of 28 Demands i.e. Demand No. 1 relating to Agriculture and Forests and Demand No. 25 relating to Social and Women's Welfare and Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes may be discussed specifically, and he also stated that guillotine would be applied at 5.00 P.M., under Rule 168(4) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha. Hon'ble Speaker sought the consent of the House for all the Demands on the List of Business deemed to have been read and moved, which was granted by the House unanimously. The Demands were deemed to have been read and moved.

It was also decided that the Hon'ble Members will quote the number of the Demand on which they want to speak.

The following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion on Demand No. 1 and Demand No. 25 and, while doing so, spoke for the time indicated against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1.	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta (CPI)	18 Minutes
2.	Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (INC)	23 „
3.	Raja Narinder Singh (SAD)	14 „
4.	Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla (BJP)	09 „
5.	Smt. Roop Rani (BJP)	04 „
6.	S. Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi (SAD)	08 „
7.	S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (SAD) (Mann)	07 „

Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture and Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes, by way of reply, spoke for 58 minutes.

Demand No. 1 and Demand No. 25 were put to the vote of the House together and carried unanimously.

With the consent of the House, guillotine was applied at 5.49 P.M.

The remaining 26 Demands on the Order Paper i.e. Demand No. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 were put together to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### **6. Point of Order**

A Point of Order raised by the Hon'ble Member, S. Avtar Singh Brar, was declared as 'No Point of Order'.

Hon'ble Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.40 P.M. to 5.09 P.M.

The House adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 24th June, 1997.

## BULLETIN NO. 11

*Tuesday, the 24th June, 1997*

(From 9.00 A.M. to 12.23 P.M.)

**1. Questions :****(a) Postponed Starred Questions :**

The list of Postponed Starred Questions was taken up first. There were only two questions in it which were answered and the number of supplementaries thereon were five.

**(b) Starred -**

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper.	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
18	12	01	01	32

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

**(c) Unstarred : 5****2. Statement by the Minister for Food & Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs :**

During the Zero Hour, some Hon'ble Members raised an issue regarding writing of threatening letters by some workers of Youth Congress (I) to some rich persons of Amritsar and extortion of money from them. The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in the House in this regard.

**3. Calling Attention Notice :**

Calling Attention Notice (No. 39) given by Sardar Dhanwant Singh, M.L.A. regarding apprehension of the breach of peace in village Bakshiwal, District Patiala, due to efforts on the part of some influential persons to take unauthorised possession of some agricultural land with the help of the local police, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this regard.

#### 4. Motion under Rule 16 :

"The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs moved that :

"The Vidhan Sabha at its rising this day shall stand adjourned sine-die."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### 5. Financial Business :

##### The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1997

The Hon'ble Minister for Finance, Planning and Public Relations introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1997. He also moved that :

"The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1997, be taken into consideration at once."

The following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time indicated against each :

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1.	Sardar Harminder Singh Jassi (INC)	20 Minutes
2.	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta (CPI)	11 „
3.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (BJP)	05 „
4.	Sardar Jagdish Singh Garcha (SAD)	06 „
5.	Sardar Gulzar Singh Ranike (SAD)	09 „

The Minister for Finance, Planning and Public Relations, by way of reply, spoke for 9 minutes.

Thereafter, the Bill was discussed clause by clause.

##### Clause-2

Clause-2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

##### Clause-3

Clause-3 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### Schedule

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Clause-I

Clause-I was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Minister for Finance, Planning and Public Relations moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## 6. LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS :

### (1) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1997.

The Hon'ble Minister for Finance, Planning and Public Relations introduced the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1997. He also moved that :

“The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once.”

On the suggestion of some Hon'ble Members of the House that the other Bill i.e. The Punjab Land Revenue (Abolition) Bill, 1997 may also be taken up along with this Bill, the other Bill, namely. The Punjab Land Revenue (Abolition) Bill, 1997 was also taken up simultaneously.

### (2) The Punjab Land Revenue (Abolition) Bill, 1997.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs introduced the Punjab Land Revenue (Abolition) Bill, 1997. He also moved that :

“The Punjab Land Revenue (Abolition) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once.”

The following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion on the Bills and spoke for the time indicated against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Shri Hardev Arshi (CPI)	12 Minutes
2.	Dr. Harbans Lal (INC)	14 „
3.	S. Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi (SAD)	03 „

The Hon'ble Minister for Finance, Planning and Public Relations, by way of reply, spoke for 5 Minutes.

### **The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1997**

The motion that "The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once", was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### **Sub-Clause 2 of Clause-1**

Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### **Clause-2**

The Hon'ble Minister for Finance, Planning and Public Relations moved the amendment that :

- (i) In the proposed Sub-Section (1) of Section 10-C, in line 12, for the words "one per centum", the words "two per centum", shall be substituted.
- (ii) In the proposed Sub-Section (2) of Section 10-C, in line 9, for the words "one per centum", the words "two per centum", shall be substituted.

The said amendment was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

Clause 2, as amended, was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### **Clause-3**

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Clause-4**

Clause 4 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Hon'ble Minister for Finance, Planning and Public Relations moved that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1997, as amended, be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**The Punjab Land Revenue (Abolition) Bill, 1997**

The motion that "The Punjab Land Revenue (Abolition) Bill, 1997, be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

There-after the Bill was discussed clause by clause.

**Clause-2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Clause-1**

Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Punjab Land Revenue (Abolition) Bill, 1997, be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

Thereafter, the House adjourned **sine-die**.

## BULLETIN NO. 12

*Monday, the 14th July, 1997*

(11.00 A.M. to 12.51 P.M.)

## 1. OBITUARY REFERENCES :

The Hon'ble Chief Minister made reference to the deaths of the following Personalities :-

1. Bibi Jaswant Kaur, Ex-M.L.A.,
2. The persons killed in a powerful bomb blast in a passenger train near Lehra Khana Railway Station in District Bhatinda :
3. Shri Chetan Anand, famous Film Producer and Director;

and while doing so, he expressed deep sorrow. While paying tributes to the deceased, he also expressed deep concern regarding the incident relating to placing of a bomb in a temple at Baghapurana. He expressed deep anguish on the demise of Tikka Jagjit Singh Bedi, former Justice; Shri Surinder Partap Singh, Correspondent; Shri D.N. Singh, Correspondent; and Smt. Narinder Biba, famous Punjabi Singer. He also expressed his grief on the demise of Smt. Bakhshish Kaur, wife of Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu, M.L.A. He urged that the names of all these personalities may be included in the Obituary References and requested that messages of condolence may be sent to the bereaved families, on behalf of the House.

While doing so, he spoke for 23 minutes.

Thereafter the following Hon. Members paid their homage to the departed souls and spoke for the time indicated against



each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Sardarni Rajinder Kaur Bhattal ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	16 minutes
2.	Shri Hardev Arshi ( <i>Communist Party of India</i> )	19 minutes
3.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra [ <i>Bahujan Samaj Party</i> ]	07 Minutes
4.	S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar [ <i>Shiromani Akali Dal [Mann]</i> ]	10 minutes
5.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	05 minutes
6.	Hon. Minister for Local Govt., Health & Family Welfare (Shri Balramji Dass Tandon)	11 minutes
7.	Hon. Minister for Agriculture, Welfare of Scheduled Castes & Backward Classes (S. Gurdev Singh Badal)	17 minutes

Thereafter, the Hon. Speaker, while paying homage to all the above-said personalities, associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Hon. Members,

The House then stood in silence for two minutes for the peace of the departed souls.

## II. Motion Under Rule 16 :

Hon. Minister for Food & Supplies, Public Health and Parliamentary Affairs moved that :-

“The Vidhan Sabha (Assembly) at its rising today, shall stand adjourned **sine-die**.”

The motion was put and carried.

The House was then adjourned **sine-die**.

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29. COMMITTEE NOMINATED BY THE SPEAKER  
BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

[Nominated under rule 208(1)]

1. Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, Speaker, Ex-officio Chairman.
2. Shri Madan Mohan Mittal, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.
3. Capt. Kanwaljit Singh, Minister for Finance.
4. Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, MLA and Leader of Opposition.
5. Shri Hardev Arshi, MLA.
6. Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, MLA.

## SPECIAL INVITEES

1. Sardar Sujan Singh, MLA.
  2. Bibi Jagir Kaur, MLA.
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**The Winter (Third) Session, 1997**

**WITH**

**Appendices containing Daily Bulletins and Committee of the  
Vidhan Sabha**



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**PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT, CHANDIGARH.  
MARCH, 1998**



## PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Winter (Third) Session, 1997 held from 22nd December, 1997 to 24th December, 1997 together with the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above-mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

CHANDIGARH:

The 8th March, 1998

O.P. VERMA,

SECRETARY.



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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an order of the Governor, dated the 10th December, 1997 to meet for its Winter (Third) Session, 1997 in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, at 2-00 P. M. on the 22nd December, 1997 and it continued to meet till the 24th December, 1997 when it adjourned *sine-die*. It was later prorogued by an order of the Governor dated the 22nd January, 1998.

During the Session, the Sabha held 3 sittings.

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## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date

Programme Observed

Monday, the 22nd December,

1997 (2-00 P.M. to 3.17 P.M.)

Obituary references to the

deaths of the late Sardar Joginder Singh Mann, Ex-Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha

1. Sardar Joginder Singh Mann, Ex-Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha

2. Shri Krishan Kumar Kaushal, Ex-Minister

3. Shri Kasturi Lal, Ex-Minister

4. Sardar Mohinder Singh Sayanwala, Ex-Minister

5. Sardar Gurcharan Singh Panjgrain, Ex-Minister

6. Shri Mool Chand Jain, Ex-Minister

7. Sardar Tara Singh, Ex-M.L.A.

8. Shri Hardwari Lal, Ex-M.L.A.

9. Shri Kapoor Chand Jain, Ex-M.L.A.

10. Dr. Raghubir Parkash, Ex-M.L.A.

11. Shri Kesho Ram Goel, Ex-M.L.A.

12. Mother Teresa, Massiah of destitutes

13. Sardar Harnam Singh, Freedom Fighter

14. Sardar Mubarak Singh, Freedom Fighter

15. Sardar Gurdial Singh, Freedom Fighter

16. Mr. Justice E. S. Venkataramiah, Former Chief Justice of Supreme Court



Date	Programme Observed
	17. Mr. Justice Balraj Tuli, Former Justice, Punjab & Har- yana High Court
	18. Shri Nakul Sen, Former Chief Secretary to Government, Punjab
	19. Sardar Bishan Singh Samundari, Retd. Vice Chancellor of Guru Nanak Dev University, Amrit- sar.
	20. Principal Sant Singh Sekhon, Renowned Punjabi Writer
	21. Smt. Jagmohan Kaur, Punjabi Folk Singer.

Tuesday, the 23rd December,  
1997 (9-00 A.M. to 11-47  
A.M.)

1. Presentation and adoption of the  
First Report of the Business  
Advisory Committee.
2. Election of Deputy Speaker.
3. Presentation of the 109th Re-  
port of the Committee on Public  
Accounts on the Appropriation  
Accounts of the Government  
of Punjab for the years 1983-  
84, 1984-85 and 1985-86 and  
the Reports of the Comptroller  
and Auditor General of India  
for the years 1983-84, 1984-85  
and 1985-86 (Civil) relating to  
Food and Supplies Department.
4. Official Resolution under Arti-  
cle 252 of the Constitution of  
India regarding repealing the  
Urban Land (Ceiling and Regu-  
lations) Act, 1976 (Central Act  
33 of 1976).

(Carried)

Date	Programme Observed
	<p>5. The Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) (Amendment) Bill, 1997.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>6. The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill, 1997.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>7. The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1997.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>8. The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1997.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>9. The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1997.</p> <p>(Passed)</p>
Wednesday, the 24th December, 1997 (9-00 A.M. to 12-09 P.M.)	<p>1. Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly <i>Sine-die</i>.</p> <p>(Carried)</p> <p>2. The Punjab Lokpal (Amendment) Bill, 1997.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>3. The Punjab Prevention of Defacement of Property Bill, 1997.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>4. The Punjab Special Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1997</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>5. The Punjab Religious Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Bill, 1997.</p> <p>(Passed)</p>

### 3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

The Vidhan Sabha elected Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla as Deputy Speaker on the 23rd December, 1997.

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#### 4. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN NAMED TO MONITOR ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

On the 16th December, 1997, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen, under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) :—

1. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA.
  2. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, MLA.
  3. Shri Sat Pal Gosain, MLA.
  4. Chaudhary Jagjit Singh, MLA.
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## 5. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on 22-12-1997 :—

1. Sardar Joginder Singh Mann, Ex-Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha
2. Shri Krishan Kumar Kaushal, Ex-Minister
3. Shri Kasturi Lal, Ex-Minister
4. Sardar Mohinder Singh Sayanwala, Ex-Minister
5. Sardar Gurcharan Singh Panjgrain, Ex-Minister
6. Shri Mool Chand Jain, Ex-Minister
7. Sardar Tara Singh, Ex-M.L.A.
8. Shri Hardwari Lal, Ex-M.L.A.
9. Shri Kapoor Chand Jain, Ex-M.L.A.
10. Dr. Raghubir Parkash, Ex M.L.A.,
11. Shri Kesho Ram Goel, Ex-M.L.A.
12. Mother Teresa, Messiah of destitutes
13. Sardar Harnam Singh, Freedom Fighter
14. Sardar Mubarak Singh, Freedom Fighter
15. Sardar Gurdial Singh, Freedom Fighter
16. Mr. Justice E. S. Venkataramiah, Former Chief Justice of Supreme Court
17. Mr. Justice Balraj Tuli, Former Justice, Punjab & Haryana High Court
18. Shri Nakul Sen, Former Chief Secretary to Government, Punjab
19. Sardar Bishan Singh Samundari, Retd. Vice Chancellor of Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar
20. Principal Sant Singh Sekhon, Renowned Punjabi Writer
21. Smt. Jagmohan Kaur, Punjabi Folk Singer

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased on the said occasion.

## 6. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on-

23rd December, 1997.

24th December, 1997.

### (i) Official Bills

The Sabha passed 9 Bills in all including three principal Bills.  
(See Table).

### (ii) Non official Bills

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TABLE

Sl. No.	Title of the Bill	Minister Introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of Consideration	Number of Speeches						Time taken in minutes						Amendment(s) Proposed						Amendments not moved/ withdrawn/lost/hold out of order/leave refused						Amendments Carried						Total time taken, in minutes	Date of Passing	Remarks
					SAD-BJP	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD-(M)	IND	SAD-BJP	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD-(M)	IND	SAD-BJP	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD-(M)	IND	SAD-BJP	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD-(M)	IND	SAD-BJP	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD-(M)	IND			
1.	The Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) (Amendment) Bill, 1997.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	23-12-97	23-12-97	1	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7 minutes	23-12-97				
2.	The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill, 1997.	—do—	23-12-97	23-12-97	1	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8 minutes	23-12-97				
3.	The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1997.	Minister for Rural Dev. & Panchayats	23-12-97	23-12-97	1	1	1	—	—	—	4	13	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26 minutes	23-12-97				
4.	The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1997.	Minister of State for Rev. & Rehabilitation	23-12-97	23-12-97	3	1	1	—	—	—	9	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	14 minutes	23-12-97				
5.	The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1997.	—do—	23-12-97	23-12-97	1	—	1	—	—	—	7	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	10 minutes	23-12-97				
6.	The Punjab Lokpal (Amendment) Bill, 1997.	Chief Minister	24-12-97	24-12-97	2	1	1	—	—	—	24	7	28	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	59 minutes	24-12-97				
7.	The Punjab Prevention of Defacement of Property Bill, 1997.	—do—	24-12-97	24-12-97	2	—	1	—	—	—	9	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	14 minutes	24-12-97				
8.	The Punjab Special Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1997.	Minister for Education	24-12-97	24-12-97	2	—	1	—	—	—	9	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11 minutes	24-12-97				
9.	The Punjab Religious Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Bill, 1997.	Minister of State for Rev. & Rehabilitation	24-12-97	24-12-97	2	—	1	—	—	—	7	—	11	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	18 minutes	24-12-97				





## 7. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA

### 1. The Punjab State Legislators Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) (Amendment) Bill, 1997.

(Introduced and passed on 23rd December, 1997).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to enable a Member to get pension for and on account of the term during which he incurred no disqualification.

### 2. The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill 1997.

(Introduced and passed on 23rd December, 1997).

This Bill replaces the Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 1997), which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act so as to reduce the period by 5 days between the date of issue of Notification calling upon a constituency to elect a Member or Members to the date of polling, as prolonged period results in building up of social tensions leading to law and order problems.

### 3. The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1997.

(Introduced and passed on 23rd December, 1997).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1997), which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act so as to make sub-section (1) of Section 12 in consonance with the provision of the Constitution in respect of reservation for women belonging to Scheduled Castes for the offices of Sarpanches of Gram Panchayats.

### 4. The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1997.

(Introduced and passed on 23rd December, 1997).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to remove some difficulties being faced by NRIs etc. in ejecting tenants from their lands.

### 5. The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill 1997.

(Introduced and passed on 23rd December, 1997).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to remove some difficulties being faced by NRIs etc. in ejecting tenants from their lands.

## 6. The Punjab Lokpal (Amendment) Bill, 1997.

(Introduced and passed on 24th December, 1997).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Lokpal (Amendment) Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of 1997) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act, so as to make the institution of Lokpal a single-member anti-graft body to be manned by a Judge of the Supreme Court or Chief Justice/Judge of a High Court.

## 7. The Punjab Prevention of Defacement of Property Bill, 1997.

(Introduced and passed on 24th December, 1997).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Prevention of Defacement of Property Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 1997) which was promulgated to provide for the prevention of defacement of property and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

## 8. The Punjab Special Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1997.

(Introduced and passed on 24th December, 1997).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Special Recruitment of Teachers Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1997), which was promulgated to provide relief and remove hardships to teachers who were earlier appointed on regular basis and later on on eighty nine days basis and their services were terminated on the ground that the number of teachers recruited was in excess of the number of posts advertised by treating them a class apart and to offer them one time appointment as a special category.

## 9. The Punjab Religious Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Bill, 1997.

(Introduced and passed on 24th December, 1997).

This Bill seeks to provide for the eviction of unauthorised occupants from religious premises and for certain incidental matters.

## 8. RESOLUTIONS

## (i) Official

The following resolution was moved on the 23rd December, 1997, by the Minister for Housing and Urban Development :—

“WHEREAS the Punjab Legislative Assembly had, in pursuance of clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India, resolved on 30-3-1972 that the imposition of ceiling on urban immovable property and acquisition of such property in excess of the ceiling and all matters connected therewith or ancillary and incidental thereto should be regulated in the State of Punjab by Law ;

AND WHEREAS the Parliament had thereafter enacted the Urban Land (Ceiling and Regulation) Act, 1976 (Central Act 33 of 1976);

AND WHEREAS the said Act came into force in the State of Punjab on and with effect from the 17th February 1976 ;

AND WHEREAS the primary aim to enact the said Act was to impose ceiling on urban land only and to acquire excess vacant urban land but in actual practice it has imposed ceiling on the agricultural land falling within the urban agglomerations on which ceiling had already been imposed under the agrarian laws ;

AND WHEREAS the operation of the provisions of the said Act in the State of Punjab has revealed the need to repeal its provisions as it has failed to achieve its objective ;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (2) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India, this House resolves that Parliament should repeal the Urban Land (Ceiling and Regulation) Act, 1976 (Central Act 33 of 1976).”

The Amendment on the said Resolution given notice of by Shri Hardev Arshi and Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta, MLAs was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The Resolution was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## (ii) NON-OFFICIAL

Sr. No.	TOTAL TREASURY BENCHES					INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(MANN)	INDEPENDENTS
1.	No. of Notices received	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2.	No. of Notices admitted.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3.	No. of Notices disallowed.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4.	No. of Resolutions referred back	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5.	No. of Resolutions for ballot	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6.	Total number of Resolutions which lapsed on prorogation.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7.	No. of ballots held	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8.	Date on which ballot was held.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9.	Date on which business other than Government business was transacted.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

## 9. PAPERS LAID

By whom Laid	Date on which Laid	Subject
1	2	3
Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	23-12-1997	<p>1. (i) The Punjab Lokpal (Amendment) Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of 1997).</p> <p>(ii) The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 1997).</p> <p>(iii) The Punjab Prevention of Defacement of Property Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 1997).</p> <p>(iv) The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1997); and</p> <p>(v) The Punjab Special Recruitment of Teachers Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1997). as required under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p>2. Bi-ennial Report of the Punjab State Council for Science and Technology for the year 1994-95 and 1995-96.</p> <p>3. The Administration Report of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala for the year 1994-95 along-with Reviews, as required under section 35(3) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.</p>

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4. The 30th Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Agro-Industries Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
5. The 8th, 13th, 14th, 15th and 22nd Annual Reports of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd. for the years 1978-79, 1983-84, 1984-85, 1985-86 & 1992-93 along with statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Reports for the year 1978-79, 1983-84, & 1992-93, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
6. The 20th Annual Report of the Punjab State Electronics Development and Production Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
7. The 25th Annual Report of the Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the year 1989-90, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
8. The 30th Annual Report of the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

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9. The Annual Report of Punjab Agricultural University for the year 1992-93 alongwith Government's Comments thereon, as required under Section 39(3) of the Haryana & Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
10. The 12th Annual Report of Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. for the year 1985, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
11. The 16th Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1991-92, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

## 10. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
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**BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Speaker	23-12-1997	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
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**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS**

Chairman	23-12-1997	109th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86 (Civil) relating to Food and Supplies Department.
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## 11. QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE

Notice of one Privilege Motion was received which was not mentioned in the House.

## 12. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject	Decision/Remarks
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.	23-12-97	23-12-97	Adoption of recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	(Carried)
2.	—do—	24-12-97	24-12-97	Motion under Rule 16 regarding the adjournment of the Assembly <i>sine-die</i> .	(Carried)

### 13. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 66

In all 10 notices calling attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these four were admitted. The details of four admitted notices which were taken up in the House is given below :—

The rest were disallowed by the Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other.

Sr.No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member (s) Calling Attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1	2	Shri Hardev Arshi	23-12-97	Reg. heavy losses accrued to the farmers in the State on account of recent untimely and wide-spread rains which have caused damage to the Rabi crops especially wheat crop and the wheat sowing operations have been delayed and the farmers have had to resort to resowing of wheat crop, which has added to input costs.	The Minister for Agriculture made a statement in the House.
2	3	Shri Hardev Arshi	23-12-97	Reg. losses being suffered by the potato growers in the State due to very low sale price of potato in the market and lack of proper cold storage facilities.	The Minister for Agriculture made a statement in the House.

1	2	3	4	5	6
3.	6	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla.	23-12-97	Reg. accumulation of rainy water in the fields in the whole of Banga area due to untimely and wide-spread rains in the State and non-draining of the same from fields resulting in delay in sowing operations of wheat crop.	The Chief Minister made a statement in the House.
4.	9	Sardar Dhanwant Singh	24-12-97	Reg. resentment amongst farmers due to non-payment of arrears to them by the Bhagwanpura Sugar Mill Pvt. Ltd., Dhuri on account of the cost of sugarcane supplied by them to the Mill during the years 1995, 1996 and 1997.	The Minister for Agriculture made a statement in the House.

#### 14. STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

The Chief Minister/Ministers made a total number of four statements in reply to Call Attention Notices only.

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# 15 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

Number of Speeches made by							Time taken by						
Treasury Benches							Treasury Benches						
Members excluding Ministers	Ministers	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D.(M)	Independents.	Members excluding Ministers	Ministers	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D.(M)	Independents
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
4	7	5	9	1	2	—	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H. M.	H.M.	H.M.
14.28	25.00	17.86	32.14	3.58	7.14	—	0.12	0.49	0.41	1.20	0.08	0.16	—
percent	percent	percent	percent	percent	percent		percent	percent	percent	percent	percent	percent	

Notes—(1) Observations/Rulings by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above Statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the Statement.

(3) Time taken on Personal Explanation, Privilege Motions Adjournment Motions, Call Attention Notices, Points of Order, Presentation of Reports and other papers, etc. is also excluded from the Statement.





## 16 FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

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1. Total No. of Sittings of the Sabha	3
2. Total No. of Notices of Questions received :	
STARRED	131
UNSTARRED	25
3. Total No. of Short Notice Questions received.	—
4. Total No. of sittings at which Questions were not taken up.	1
5. Total No. of Members from which Notices were received.	14
6. Total No. of Questions to which oral answers were given.	28
7. Largest No. of Questions orally answered on any one day (24-12-1997).	15
8. Least No. of Questions orally answered on any one day (23-12-1997).	13
9. Total No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions.	5
10. Total No. of Unstarred Questions replied to.	11
11. Total No. of Starred Questions Postponed.	7
12. Largest No. of Questions addressed to any one Minister on any one day (Chief Minister on 23-12-1997).	4
13. Largest No. of Questions orally answered by any one Minister on any one day (Chief Minister on 23-12-97).	2



**17 QUESTIONS**

**STATEMENT**

Type of Questions	No. of Notices received	No. of Admitted Questions	No. of Disallowed/Referred Back Questions	No. of Post-poned Questions	No. of Not-Put Questions	No. of Questions Answered	No. of Starred Questions treated as Unstarred	No. of Questions deemed to have been answered under Rule-38	No. of Questions withdrawn	No. of Supplementaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
STARRED	131	84	47	7	2	28	5	—	—	57
UNSTARRED	25	13	12	—	—	11	—	—	—	—
SHORT NOTICE	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—



**18. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS  
ANSWERED DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE**

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	INDEPENDENTS	TOTAL
23-12-97	1	6	1	2	1	2	13
24-12-97	3	4	2	2	2	2	15



19 STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS IN THE NAME OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS, DATE-WISE

Date	Chief Minister	Local Govt. and Labour and Employment Minister	Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister	Agriculture Minister	Food and Supplies Minister	Finance and Planning Minister	Technical Education and Industrial Training Minister	Rural Dev. and Panchayats Minister	P.W.D. (B&R) Minister	Social Security and Development of Women and Children Minister	Medical Education and Research Minister	Health and Family Welfare Minister	Forests Minister	Transport Minister	Welfare of SC's/ST's and BC's Minister	Minister of State for Sports
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
23-12-97	4	1	—	3	1	2	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	3	1	1
											(Replied by Food and Supplies Minister)					
24-12-97	4	—	1	1	1	—	1	1	2	1	—	2	1	—	1	1





20. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS  
POSTPONED DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
23-12-97	2	1	1	1	—	—	5
24-12-97	1	1	—	—	—	—	2

## 21. WALK-OUT

Sr. No.	Date	Members walking-out	Occasion
1.	24 <sup>th</sup> December, 1957.	The Members belonging to the Communist Party of India and Indian National Congress, present in the House,	As a protest demanding holding of an inquiry into the slapping of some women including the District Secretary of C.P.I. and the City Head of the Party by a male Police Officer.

## APPENDIX-I

## 22. BULLETINS

(Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Winter (Third) Session, 1997),

Bulletin No. 1

*Monday, the 22nd December, 1997*

*[From 2.00 P.M. to 3.17 P.M.]*

### 1. Obituary References:

The Chief Minister made references to the deaths of the following personalities:—

1. Sardar Joginder Singh Mann, Ex-Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
2. Shri Krishan Kumar Kaushal, Ex-Minister.
3. Shri Kasturi Lal, Ex-Minister.
4. Sardar Mohinder Singh Sayanwala, Ex-Minister.
5. Sardar Gurcharan Singh Panjgrain, Ex-Minister.
6. Shri Mool Chand Jain, Ex-Minister.
7. Sardar Tara Singh, Ex-M.L.A.
8. Shri Hardwari Lal Ex-M.L.A.
9. Shri Kapoor Chand Jain, Ex-M.L.A.
10. Dr. Raghubir Parkash, Ex-M.L.A.
11. Shri Kesho Ram Goel, Ex-M.L.A.
12. Mother Teresa, Messiah of Destitutes.
13. Sardar Harnam Singh, Freedom Fighter.
14. Sardar Mubarak Singh, Freedom Fighter.
15. Sardar Gurdial Singh, Freedom Fighter.
16. Mr. Justice E.S. Venkataramaiah, Former Chief Justice of Supreme Court.
17. Mr. Justice Balraj Tuli, Former Justice. Punjab & Haryana High Court.

18. **Shri Nakul Sen**, Former Chief Secretary to Government, Punjab.
19. **Sardar Bishan Singh Samundri**, Retd. Vice Chancellor of Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar.
20. **Principal Sant Singh Sekhon**, Renowned Punjabi Writer.
21. **Smt. Jagmohan Kaur**, Punjabi Folk Singer.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister paid tributes to the departed souls & highlighted the contribution made by them in their respective fields. While paying tributes, he also expressed deep sorrow on the demise of Major Sarbjit Singh, a renowned Basketball player and the first recipient of 'Arjuna Award'.

He moved that messages of condolence be sent to the bereaved families and also moved that the House may stand in silence for two minutes to pray for the grant of peace to the departed souls.

While doing so, he spoke for 22 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members paid tributes to the departed souls and spoke for the time given against each:—

Sr. No.	Name of the Members	Time
1.	Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (I.N.C.)	15 Minutes
2.	Shri Hardev Arshi (C.P.I.)	16 ..
3.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (B.S.P.)	08 ..
4.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Akali Dal-Maan)	14 ..

The Hon. Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by Members on the sad demise of the above personalities.

Thereafter, the Members of the House stood in silence for two minutes in honour of the departed souls.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 23rd December, 1997.

## BULLETIN NO. 2

*Tuesday, the 23rd December, 1997.*

*[9 00 A.M. to 11 47 A.M.]*

## 1. Questions

## (a) Starred

Total No. of Questions on the order paper.	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
20	13	02	05	24

## (b) Unstarred: 7

2. Announcement by the Hon'ble Speaker  
Panel of Chairmen

Under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha the Hon'ble Speaker nominated the following Members to serve on the Panel of Chairmen:

1. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal
2. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura
3. Shri Satpal Gosain
4. Chaudhary Jagjit Singh

## 3. Announcement by the Secretary

The Secretary informed the House about the Bills passed by the 11th Punjab Vidhan Sabha during its Second Session and which had since been assented to by the Governor, and laid on the Table of the House a statement showing the Bills passed.

## 4. Calling Attention Notices:

(1). Calling Attention Notice (No. 2) given notice of by Shri Hardev Arshi, M.L.A. drawing the attention of the Agriculture Minister towards heavy losses accrued to the farmers in the state on account of recent untimely and wide-spread rains which have caused damage to the Rabi crops especially wheat crop and the wheat sowing operations have been delayed and the farmers have had to resort to resowing of wheat crop, which has added to input cost, was admitted.

The Agriculture Minister made a statement in this behalf.

(2) Calling Attention Notice (No.3) given notice of by Shri Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. drawing the attention of the Agriculture Minister towards losses being suffered by the Potato-growers in the State due to very low sale price of potato in the market and lack of proper cold storage facilities, was admitted.

The Agriculture Minister made a statement in this behalf.

(3) Calling Attention Notice (No. 6) given notice of by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. drawing the attention of the Chief Minister towards accumulation of rainy water in the fields in whole of Banga area due to untimely and wide-spread rain in the state and non-draining of the same from fields, resulting in delay in sowing operations of wheat-crop, was admitted.

The Chief Minister made a Statement in this behalf.

#### 5. First Report of the Business Advisory Committee:

The Hon'ble Speaker presented to the House the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee regarding the programme of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha of the 23rd and 24th December, 1997.

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister moved the following motion :—

“That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.”

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### 6. Election of Deputy Speaker :

The Hon'ble Chief Minister moved that Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla, a Member of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, who is present in the House, be elected as the Deputy Speaker of the House.

Mr. Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment, Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, seconded the motion.

Since the name of no other Hon'ble Member had been proposed, the Hon'ble Speaker declared Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla unanimously elected as the Deputy Speaker.

Hon'ble Chief Minister felicitated Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla, M.L.A., for his unanimous election as the Deputy Speaker and while doing so, he spoke for 4 minutes.

Names of the Hon'ble Members, who made congratulatory speeches on the unanimous election of Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla Deputy Speaker, are as follows :

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	4 Minutes
2.	Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment. (Sh. Balram Ji Dass Tandon)	3 "
3.	Com. Hardev Arshi (Communist Party of India)	2 "
4.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann))	2 "

Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla thanked all the Hon'ble Members of the House for having unanimously elected him as the Deputy Speaker. He assured that he shall be responsive to the feelings of the Hon'ble Members of all the parties in the House and that he shall listen to all the Members dispassionately while performing his duties in an impartial manner. He also expressed the sanguine hope that all Members would extend their full cooperation in the performance of his duties.

#### 7. Papers Laid on the Table of the House :

Hon'ble Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs laid the following papers on the Table of the House :—

1. (a) The Punjab Lokpal (Amendment) Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of 1997);
- (b) The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 1997);
- (c) The Punjab Prevention of Defacement of Property Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 1997);
- (d) The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1997); and
- (e) The Punjab Special Recruitment of Teachers Ordinance, 1997 (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1997).

as required under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution of India.

- 2) Biennial Report of the Punjab State Council for Science and Technology for the year 1994-95 and 1995-96.
- 3) Administration Report of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala, for the year 1994-95 alongwith Review, as required under Section 35(3) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.

- 4) 30th Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Agro-Industries Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
- 5) 8th, 13th, 14th, 15th and 22nd Annual Reports of the Punjab State Tabewell Corporation Ltd. for the years 1978-79, 1983-84, 1985-86 and 1992-93, alongwith Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Reports for the years 1978-79, 1983-84 and 1992-93, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
- 6) 20th Annual Report of the Punjab State Electronics Development & Production Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
- 7) 20th Annual Report of the Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the year 1989-90, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
- 8) 30th Annual Report of the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
- 9) Annual Report of Punjab Agriculture University, Ludhiana for the year 1992-93, alongwith Government's comments thereon, as required under Section 39(3) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
- 10) 12th Annual Report of Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. for the year 1985, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
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## 8. Presentation of Report

### Report of the Committee on Public Accounts

Prof. Jagir Singh, Chairman, Committee on Public Accounts presented the 109th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86 (Civil) relating to Food and Supplies Department.



## 9. Official Resolution Under Article 252 of the Constitution of India.

Housing and Urban Development Minister moved that—

“WHEREAS the Punjab Legislative Assembly had, in pursuance of Clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India resolved on 30.3.1972 that the imposition of ceiling on Urban Immovable Property and acquisition of such property in excess of the ceiling and all matters connected therewith or ancillary and incidental thereto should be regulated in the State of Punjab by law;

AND WHEREAS the Parliament had thereafter enacted the Urban Land (Ceiling and Regulation) Act, 1976 (Central Act 33 of 1976;

AND WHEREAS the said Act came into force in the State of Punjab on and with effect from the 17th February, 1976;

AND WHEREAS the primary aim to enact the said Act was to impose ceiling on Urban Land only and to acquire excess vacant urban land but in actual practice it has imposed ceiling on the agricultural land falling within the urban agglomerations on which ceiling had already been imposed under the agrarian laws;

AND WHEREAS the operation of the provisions of the said Act in the State of Punjab has revealed the need to repeal its provisions as it has failed to achieve its objective;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the power conferred by Clause (2) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India, this House resolves that Parliament should repeal the Urban Land (Ceiling and Regulations) Act, 1976 (Central Act 33 of 1976).”

Amendment to the official Resolution, given notice of by Shri Hardev Arshi and Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta was deemed to have been read and moved.

Hon'ble Member Shri Hardev Arshi, while taking part in the discussion on the Resolution, spoke for 4 minutes.

The amendment on the said Resolution given notice of by Shri Hardev Arshi and Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta that for the last three paragraphs of the Resolution, the following be substituted.

“Whereas the Act because of various loopholes has not served the purpose for which it was enacted;

Now, thereafter, this House recommends to the Parliament to suitably amend the Act” was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The Resolution was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## 10. Legislative Business :

### (1) The Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) (Amendment) Bill, 1997.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs introduced the Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) (Amendment) Bill, 1997.

He also moved that the Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once.

Motion that the Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered Clause by Clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause-2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved :

That the Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### (2) The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill, 1997

#### (Replacing Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 1997)

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs introduced the Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill, 1997.

He also moved that the Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion that the Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered Clause by Clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause-2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause-3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved—

That the Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### 3. The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1997

(Replacing Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1997)

The Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development and Panchayats introduced the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1997.

He also moved that the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once.

The following Members, while participating in the discussion, spoke for the time indicated against each :

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time taken
1.	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta (Communist Party of India)	9 Minutes
2.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	13 Minutes

Motion that the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once; was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development and Panchayats moved that the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of House and carried unanimously.

#### 4. The Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1997

The Hon'ble Minister of State for Public Relations, Revenue and Rehabilitation introduced the Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1997.

He also moved that the Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once.

Amendment to Clause 3 of the Bill was deemed to have been read and moved.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time indicated against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time taken
1.	Com. Hardev Arshi (Communist Party of India)	3 Minutes
2.	Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education. (Sardar Tota Singh)	2 "
3.	Ch. Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	2 "
4.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party)	1 "

The motion that the Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once was put to the vote of the House and was carried unanimously.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 3

The amendment given by the Hon'ble Member Com. Hardev Arshi which reads as under :

1. That in line 3, between the words "Union" and "or" insert the words "who has retired or settled."
2. That in line 3, after the words "Non-Resident Indian" add the words

"Who becomes resident himself",

was put to the vote of the House and lost.

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 4

Clause 4 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 5**

Clause 5 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Minister of State for Public Relations and Revenue and Rehabilitation moved:

That the Punjab Security of Land Tenures (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**5. The Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1997.**

The Hon'ble Minister of State for Public Relations and Revenue and Rehabilitation introduced the Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1997.

He also moved that the Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once.

There was an amendment to Clause 3 of this Bill which was deemed to have been read and moved.

The motion that the Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter the Bill, was considered clause by clause

**Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause-2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause-3**

The amendment given by the Hon'ble Member Com. Hardev Arshi which reads as under :

1. that in line 3, between the words "Union" and "or" insert the words "who has retired or settled".
2. that in line 3 and 4, after the words "Non-Resident Indian" add the words "who becomes resident himself".

was put to the vote of the House and lost.

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 4

Clause 4 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 5

Clause 5 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 6

Clause 6 was put to the vote of House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Minister of State for Public Relations and Revenue and Rehabilitation moved that the Pepsu Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 24th December, 1997.



**BULLETIN NO. 3***Wednesday, the 24th December, 1997*

(From 9.00 A.M. to 12.09 P.M.)

**1. Questions :****(a) Starred**


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Total Number of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
17	15	—	2	33

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**(b) Unstarred : 4****2. Walk-out :**

The Hon'ble Members belonging to the Communist Party of India and Indian National Congress, present in the House, staged a walk-out on the issue of holding an enquiry into the slapping by a male Police Officer, of some women, including the District Secretary of C.P.I. and the City Head of the Party assembled at Malout to protest against the rejection of nomination papers of a candidate.

**3. Call Attention Notice :**

Call attention notice (No. 9) regarding resentment amongst the farmers due to non-payment of arrears to them by the Bhagwanpura Sugar Mill Pvt. Ltd., Dhuri on account of the cost of sugarcane supplied by them to the Mill during the years 1995, 1996 and 1997 given notice of by Sardar Dhanwant Singh, M.L.A., was admitted.

The Hon'ble Agriculture Minister made a statement in this behalf.

**4. Motion Under Rule 16 :**

The Hon'ble Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister moved :—

“that the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Assembly) at its rising this day shall stand adjourned *sine-die*.”

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**5. Legislative Business :**

1. The Punjab Lokpal (Amendment) Bill, 1997  
(To replace the Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of 1997).



The Chief Minister introduced the Punjab Lokpal (Amendment) Bill, 1997. He also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

There were amendments to some clauses (Clause 4, 6, 10, 11 and 13) which were deemed to have been read and moved.

The following Members took part in the discussion on the Bill and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of Member	Time
1.	Com. Hardev Arshi (Communist Party of India)	28 Minutes
2.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (Bharatiya Janata Party)	07 „
3.	Sh. Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	07 „

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 12 minutes.

The motion that the Punjab Lokpal (Amendment) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause-1

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause-2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause-3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause-4

The following amendment given notice of by the Hon'ble Members Comrade Hardev Arshi & Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta :—

“That for the provisos to the proposed sub-section (1) of Section 4, the following provision shall be substituted :—

“Provided that the appointment of the Lok Pal shall be made by the Governor who shall consult with the Chief

Justice of India in case of appointment of a person who is or had been a Judge of the Supreme Court of India and the Chief Justice of Punjab & Haryana High Court in case of appointment of a person who is or had been a Judge of the said High Court.

Provided further that the appointment of the Lok Pal shall be made out of a panel of three persons prepared by a Committee consisting of the Chief Minister, the Leader of the Opposition and the Speaker."

was put to the vote of the House and lost.

Clause 4 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 5

Clause-5 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 6

The following amendment given notice of by the Hon'ble Members Comrade Hardev Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta :-

That in the proposed sub-section (1) of Section 6, in line 2, for the words "four years", the words "five years" shall be substituted.

was put to the vote of the House and lost.

Clause-6 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 7 to 9

As there was no amendment to the Clauses 7 to 9, these were together put to the vote of the House, with the consent of the House, and carried.

#### Clause-10

The following amendment given notice of by the Hon'ble Members Comrade Hardev Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta :-

1. That for the proposed sub-Section (1) of Section 10, the following shall be substituted :—

"The Lok Pal shall enquire into an allegation of misconduct against a publicman if the misconduct pertains to the period commencing from 1st January 1985."

2. That in the proposed sub-Section (4) of Section 10 for the words, "shall not", the word "may" shall be substituted, was put to the vote of the House and lost.

Clause 10 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause-11

The following amendment given notice of by the Hon'ble Members Comrade Hardev Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta :-

"That in part (ii) for the words "One Thousand" the words "one hundred" shall be substituted".

was put to the vote of the House and lost.

Clause 11 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause-12

Clause 12 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause-13

(1) The following amendment given notice of by the Hon'ble Members Comrade Hardev Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta:—

"That for the proposed sub-Section (2) of Section 13, the following Clause shall be substituted :—

"Every such enquiry shall, unless the Lokpal for reasons to be recorded in writing determines, otherwise be conducted in open Court."

was put to the vote of the House and lost.

Clause 13 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 14 to 16

As there was no amendment of the Clauses 14 to 16, these were together put to the vote of the House, with the consent of the House, and carried.

#### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister proposed that the Punjab Lokpal (Amendment) Bill 1997, be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously,

## 2. The Punjab Prevention of Defacement of Property Bill, 1997 (Replacing the Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 1997)

The Chief Minister introduced the Punjab Prevention of Defacement of Property Bill, 1997.

He also moved that the Punjab Prevention of Defacement of Property Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once.

An amendment to Clause 3 was deemed to have been read and moved.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Comrade Hardev Arshi (Communist Party of India)	5 Minutes
2.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party)	2 „

The Hon'ble Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 2 minutes.

The motion that the Punjab Prevention of Defacement of Property Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Sub-Clause (3) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (3) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Clause-2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause-3**

The following amendment given notice of by the Hon'ble Members Comrade Hardev Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta :-

That in Sub-Clause (2), in the line 3, after the words, "or not" the following words shall be added :-

"or any authority of State Govt. or Central Govt."

was put to the vote of the House and lost.

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clauses 4 to 7**

As there was no amendment to Clauses 4 to 7, these were put together to the vote of the House, with the consent of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause (1) of Clause-1**

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause-I was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Chief Minister moved that the Punjab Prevention of Defacement of Property Bill, 1997 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

3. The Punjab Special Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1997 (to replace the Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1997).

The Hon'ble Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education introduced the Punjab Special Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1997.

He also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :-

Sr.No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party)	2 Minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Arshi (Communist Party of India)	2 „

The motion that the Punjab Special Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause-1

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause-1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 to 6

As there was no amendment to the Clauses 2 to 6, these were put to the vote of the House together and carried.

#### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause-1

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education moved that the Punjab Special Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1997, be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

(4). The Punjab Religious Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Bill, 1997.

The Hon'ble Minister of State for Public Relations and Revenue and Rehabilitation introduced the Punjab Religious Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Bill, 1997.

He also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

There was an amendment to Clause-3 which was deemed to have been read and moved.

The Hon'ble Member, Comrade Hardev Arshi took part in the discussion and spoke for 11 minutes.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Madan Mohan Mittal) by way of reply, spoke for 4 minutes.

The motion that the Punjab Religious Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Bill, 1997 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause-1

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause-1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause-2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause-3

The amendment moved by Hon'ble Member, Comrade Hardev Arshi that for the explanation, below clause-3, the following shall be substituted :-

“Explanation :—For the purpose of Clause (a), a person shall not be deemed to be in unauthorised occupation even if he has no document as allottee, lessee or grantee provided he has paid some rent and the same has been accepted.”

was put to the vote of the House and lost.

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 4 to 13

As there was no amendment to Clauses 4 to 13, these were to the vote of the House together and carried.

**Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1**

**Sub Clause (1) of Clause 1** was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Minister of State for Public Relations and Revenue and Rehabilitation moved that the Punjab Religious Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Bill, 1997 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**6. Point of Order :**

The Hon'ble Member, Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta (C.P.I.) raised a point of order, which was declared as "No Point of Order".

The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.39 A.M. to 10.49 A.M.

The House then adjourned *sine-die*.



## APPENDIX-II

## 23. COMMITTEE

Nominated by the Speaker

## BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

[Nominated Under Rule 208 (1)]

1. Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, Speaker.....Ex-Officio Chairman.
2. Shri Madan Mohan Mittal, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.
3. Capt. Kanwaljit Singh, Minister for Finance.
4. Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, MLA, Leader of Opposition.
5. Sh. Hardev Arshi, M.L.A.
6. Sardar Ravi Inder Singh M.L.A.

## Special Invitees

1. Bibi Jagir Kaur, Minister for Tourism and Cultural Affairs.
2. Sardar Sujan Singh. M.L.A.

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**PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT, CHANDIGARH.**  
**June, 1998**





## PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Fourth Session, 1998 held from 24th March, 1998 to 27th March, 1998 together with the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above-mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

O. P. VERMA,  
SECRETARY.

Chandigarh :  
The 16th June, 1998.



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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an Order of the Governor, dated the 6th March, 1998, to meet for its Fourth Session, 1998 in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, at 11.30 A.M. on the 24th March, 1998 and it continued to meet till the 27th March, 1998 when it adjourned *sine-die*. It was later prorogued by an Order of the Governor dated the 17th April, 1998.

During the Session the Sabha held 4 sittings (excluding the one when the Governor addressed the Punjab Vidhan Sabha). The Vidhan Sabha held two sittings on the 26th March, 1998.

## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme Observed
Tuesday, the 24th March, 1998 (11.30 A.M.)	Governor's Address to the Members of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
Wednesday, the 25th March, 1998 (9.00 A.M. to 9.56 A.M.)	Obituary references to the deaths of —  1. Shri Gulzari Lal Nanda, Former Prime Minister of India.  2. Sardar Harchand Singh, Ex-Minister and Ex-M.P.,  3. Sardar Arjan Singh Josh, M.L.A.  4. Kanwarani Jagdish Kaur, Ex-MLA.  5. Shri. E.M.S. Namboodripad, Former Chief Minister of Kerala.

Thursday, the 26th March, 1998  
(Morning Sitting)

(9.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.)

6. Shri Ishwar Singh, Former Speaker, Haryana Vidhan Sabha.

7. Shri Jang Singh, Freedom Fighter.

8. Dr. (Col.) D. S. Vohra, Founder, Navedic Prosthetic Centre, Daulatsingh-wala.

9. Dewan K. S. Puri, Documentation Expert.

10. Victims of Tornado in West Bengal and Orissa.

1. Presentation and adoption of the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

2. Presentation of the—

i) 110th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87 (Civil) relating to Public Works (Buildings & Roads Branch) Department.

ii) 111th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of

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Punjab for the years 1991-92 and 1992-93 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the years 1991-92 and 1992-93 (Civil) relating to Printing & Stationery Department.

iii) 112th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 (Civil) (General Report).

iv) 113th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1992-93 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1992-93 (Civil) relating to Food and Supplies Department.

v) 114th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1986-87 and the Report of the Comp-

troller and Auditor General of India for the year 1986-87 (Civil) relating to Agriculture Department.

- vi) 115th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96 (Civil) relating to Industries Department.
3. Presentation of the 53rd Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1982-83, 1983-84 and 1984-85 (Commercial) relating to Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited, Punjab Tanneries Limited, Punjab Electronics Components Limited and Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Limited.
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Backward Classes in Services and Posts in respect of the Public Works (B&R) Department.

5. Presentation of the 31st Report of the Committee on Government Assurances for the year 1997-98.
6. Non-Official Resolution-  
"This House recommends to the State Government to take suitable steps to enact Legislation to set-up Special Courts for the trial of cases of atrocities on women in the State."  
(Talked out)

Thursday, the 26th March, 1998  
(Afternoon Sitting)  
(2.00 P.M. to 4.36 P.M.)

1. Presentation of Supplementary Demands for Grants for expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1997-98.
2. Presentation of the Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1997-98.
3. Discussion and Voting on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for the year 1997-98.
4. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1998.

(Passed)

Friday, the 27th March, 1998  
(9.00 A.M. to 12.58 P.M.)

1. Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly *sine-die*.

(Carried)

2. Presentation of the—

- i) 54th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1987-88 (Commercial) relating to Punjab State Hosiery and Knitwear Development Corporation Limited.
  - ii) 55th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1989-90 (Commercial) relating to Punjab State Electricity Board.
  - iii) 56th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1987-88 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Electricity Board.
3. Presentation of the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1996-97 in respect of Excise & Taxation Department.
4. Presentation of the 27th Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year 1997-98.

5. Presentation of the 9th Report of the Committee on Papers Laid/To be Laid on the Table for the year 1997-98.
6. Motion regarding Constitution of Elected Committees for the year 1998-99.  
(Carried unanimously).
7. Presentation of Vote-On-Account for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1998-99.
8. Motion regarding Vote-on-Account for Three Months.  
(Carried)
9. The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1998.  
(Passed)
10. The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1998.  
(Passed).
11. The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998.  
(Passed)
12. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1998.  
(Passed).
13. The Punjab Mechanical Vehicles (Bridges and Roads Tolls) Bill, 1998.  
(Passed).

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14. Official Resolution under section 65(3) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948, to raise the maximum limit of loans up to Rs. 3000 crores.

(Carried unanimously).

### 3. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 16th March, 1998, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) :—

1. Prof. Jagir Singh, M.L.A.
2. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, M.L.A.
3. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, M.L.A.
4. Shri Sat Pal Gosain, M.L.A.

### 4. GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

The Governor addressed the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 24th March, 1998.

The Speaker laid a copy of the Governor's Address on the Table of the House on the 26th March, 1998 (Morning Sitting).

The Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address was not moved during the same Session i.e. Fourth Session, 1998.

### 5. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on the 25th March, 1998 :—

1. Shri Gulzari Lal Nanda, Former Prime Minister of India.
2. Sardar Harchand Singh, Ex-Minister and Ex-M.P.
3. Sardar Arjan Singh Josh, M.L.A.
4. Kanwarani Jagdih Kaur, Ex-M.L.A.
5. Shri B.M.S. Namboodripad Ex-Chief Minister of Kerala.

6. Shri Ishwar Singh, Former Speaker, Haryana Vidhan Sabha.
7. Shri Jang Singh, Freedom Fighter.
8. Dr. (Colonel) D.S. Vohra, Founder, Navedic Prosthetic Centre, Daulatsinghwala.
9. Dewan K. S. Puri, Documentation Expert.
10. Victims of Tornado in West Bengal and Orissa.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased on the said occasion.

## 6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

### I. SUPPLEMENTARY DEMANDS FOR GRANTS FOR EXPENDITURE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB FOR THE YEAR 1997-98.

i) The Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1997-98 were presented to the Sabha on the 26th March, 1998 (Afternoon Sitting) and these were discussed and voted on the same day.

There were 23 Demands in all totalling a sum of Rs. 2671,58, 17,000/-.

In accordance with the past practice a general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands together was permitted on the 26th March, 1998 (Afternoon Sitting). Two Members from BJP spoke for 9 and 3 minutes respectively and one Member from CPI spoke for 22 minutes. The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 6 minutes. The Demands were put to the vote of the House and carried.

ii) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1998 (No. 5-PLA-98) in respect of the Supplementary Demands voted upon by the Sabha on the 26th March, 1998 (Afternoon Sitting) and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab was introduced on the 26th March, 1998 (Afternoon Sitting).

It was before the House for 10 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the 26th March, 1998 (Afternoon Sitting).

### II. THE VOTE-ON-ACCOUNT BUDGET, 1998-99

(For three months i. e. for April, May and June, 1998)

i) The Vote-on-Account Budget, 1998-99 (For three months i.e. April, May and June, 1998) was presented to the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 27th March, 1998 and discussed and voted upon the same day.

The Finance Minister moved that Vote-on-Account for three months (viz. April, May and June, 1998) amounting to Rs. 4956,66,68,000/- as in the attached Schedule be taken into consideration at once and passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

ii) The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1998.

The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1998, (Bill No. 6-PLA-98) in respect of Vote-on-Account for three months i.e. April, May and June, 1998, was introduced on the 27th March, 1998.

It was before the House for 10 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the same day i. e. the 27th March, 1998.

## 7. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on-

26th March, 1998.  
(Morning Sitting)

27th March, 1998.

### I. OFFICIAL BILLS

The Sabha passed 6 Bills in all (including 2 Appropriation Bills) (See Table).

### II. NON-OFFICIAL BILLS

Nil

TABLE

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Minister introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of consideration	Number of speeches						Time taken in minutes						Amendments proposed						Amendments not moved/withdrawn/lost/held out of order/leave refused						Amendments carried						Total time taken in minutes for the disposal of the Bills	Date of passing	Remarks
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1.	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1998.	Finance Minister	26-3-98 (Afternoon sitting)	26-3-98 (Afternoon sitting)	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10 minutes	26-3-98 (A.S.)				
2.	The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1998.	-do-	27-3-98	27-3-98	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10 minutes	27-3-98					
3.	The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1998.	Minister of State for Revenue and Rehabilitation	27-3-98	27-3-98	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10 minutes	27-3-98					
4.	The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998.	Minister for Rural Development and Panchayats	27-3-98	27-3-98	3	2	1	—	—	—	17	12	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	38 minutes	27-3-98					
5.	The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1998	Minister for Local Govt.	27-3-98	27-3-98	1	1	—	—	—	—	14	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23 minutes	27-3-98					
6.	The Punjab Mechanical Vehicles (Bridges and Roads Tolls) Bill, 1998.	Minister for Public Works (B&R)	27-3-98	27-3-98	3	2	1	—	—	—	7	5	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19 minutes	27-3-98					







### **8. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA.**

#### **1. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1998**

(Introduced and passed on 26th March, 1998)

(After-noon Sitting).

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of the sum required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by the Legislative Assembly for the expenditure for the financial year 1997-98.

#### **2. The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1998.**

(Introduced and passed on 27-3-1998).

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of all moneys required to meet the expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund and the grants made in advance by the Legislative Assembly in respect of the estimated expenditure of the State Government, for a part of the financial year 1998-99.

#### **3. The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1998.**

(Introduced and passed on 27-3-1998).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act for making provision in Sections 16(3) and 16(4) to cut down one stage so that revision cases may be finally decided by the Commissioners.

#### **4. The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998.**

(Introduced and passed on 27-3-1998)

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to provide for direct election for members of the Panchayat Samities as also rotation of reservation of seats etc.

#### **5. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1998.**

(Introduced and passed on 27-3-1998)

This Bill replaces the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of 1998) and the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 1998) which were promulgated to amend the Principal Act, for vesting powers to the Excise and Taxation Commissioner for finalization of assessment scheme for three years.

#### **6. The Punjab Mechanical Vehicles (Bridges and Roads Tolls) Bill, 1998.**

(Introduced and passed on 27-3-1998).

This Bill seeks to provide for levy and collection of tolls on mechanical vehicles crossing certain bridges and using certain roads or section of the roads in the State of Punjab.

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## 9. RESOLUTIONS

## (i) Official

1. The following resolution was moved on the 27th March, 1998 by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs :-

“WHEREAS the elections to the—

1. Committee on Public Accounts ;
2. Committee on Estimates ;
3. Committee on Public Undertakings ; and
4. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes,

for the year 1998-99, are to be held before the 31st March, 1998 ; and

WHEREAS the time left at the disposal of the House is extremely short and it is not possible to conduct, in the normal course, the elections to these Committees ;

NOW, THEREFORE, this House authorises the Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha, to nominate the members of the aforesaid Committees for the aforesaid year, keeping in view the proportionate strength of various parties/groups in the House ;

THIS HOUSE further resolves that for the above purpose, the Rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) relating to the elections to the said Committees for the year 1998-99, which are inconsistent with or contrary to the above resolution, shall stand suspended.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and was carried unanimously.

2. The following Resolution was moved on the 27th March, 1998 by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs :—

“WHEREAS in pursuance of the provisions of sub-section (3) of Section 65 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 (Central Act No, 54 of 1948), the Government of Punjab intends to raise the limit of maximum amount which the Punjab State Electricity Board may, at any time, have on loan under sub-section (1) of Section 65 of the said Act, from the existing limit of Rs. 2000 crores, fixed with the approval of the Vidhan Sabha vide Government of Punjab, Department of Irrigation and Power Memo No. 2/2/95-IPE(5)/19398-401 dated 25-9-1996, to Rs. 3000 crores (Rupees three thousand crores only) which can be done by it with the approval of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is resolved and this House does hereby accord its approval to the fixing of the sum of Rs. 3000 crores (Rupees three thousand crores only) as the maximum amount which the Punjab State Electricity Board may at any time have on loan under sub-section (1) of Section 65 of the Act aforesaid. ”

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**(ii) NON-OFFICIAL**

Sr. No.	Total	Treasury	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D.(Mann)	Independents
1. Number of notices received.	38	3	25	10	—	—	—
2. Number of notices admitted.	33	3	20	10	—	—	—
3. Number of notices disallowed	5	—	5	—	—	—	—
4. Number of notices referred back	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Number of resolutions for ballot	33	3	20	10	—	—	—
6. Total number of resolutions which lapsed on prorogation.	28	3	15	10	—	—	—
7. Number of ballots held	01						
8. Date on which ballot held	25-3-1998						
9. Date on which business other than Government business was transacted.	26-3-1998 (Morning Sitting).						

On Thursday, the 26th March, 1998 (Morning Sitting), Shri Harminder Singh Jassi, M.L.A., moved the following resolution:—

“This House recommends to the State Government to take suitable steps to enact legislation to set up Special Courts for the trial of cases of atrocities on women in the State.”

The resolution was discussed in the House for 1 hour and 59 minutes. Seven Members from the Treasury Benches, two Members from I.N.C., one Member from C.P.I., One Member from B.S.P. and one Member from S.A.D. (Mann) participated in the debate and spoke for 1 hour 15 minutes, 15 minutes, 15 minutes, 11 minutes and 3 minutes respectively.

The resolution was talked out.

#### 10. PAPERS LAID/RE-LAID

Sr. No.	By whom laid/ re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.	26-3-98 (Morning Sitting)	<p>1. i) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of 1998);</p> <p>ii) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 1998);</p> <p>as required under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p>2. The Punjab State Legal Services Authorities Rules, 1996, as required under sub-section (2) of Section 30 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.</p> <p>3. The Annual Reports of of Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana for the years 1985-86 to 1989-90.</p>

Sr. No.	By whom laid/ re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
			4. The Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana for the year 1993-94, along-with Government's comments, as required under section 39(3) of the Haryana & Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
			5. The Annual Report/ Balance Sheet of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the year 1992-93 as required under section 27(6) of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1976.
			6. The 13th Annual Report of Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. for the year 1986, as required under section 619—A of the Companies Act, 1956.
			7. The Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the PRTC for the year 1994-95 alongwith statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the said Report, as required under section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
			8. The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab Housing Development Board for the period from 1-4-95 to 30-6-95, as required under section 68(3) of the Punjab Housing Development Board Act, 1972.

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2.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	27-3-98	<p data-bbox="919 415 1335 607">9. The Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the PRTC for the year 1996-97.</p> <p data-bbox="919 641 1335 1163">1. (i) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1996-97 (Commercial) Government of Punjab;</p> <p data-bbox="972 857 1335 1163">(ii) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1996-97 (Revenue Receipts) Government of Punjab, as required under Article 151(2) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p data-bbox="919 1197 1335 1446">2. The Annual Financial Statement of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1998-99, as required under section 61 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.</p> <p data-bbox="919 1481 1335 1730">3. The Annual Report &amp; Accounts of the Punjab Small Industries &amp; Export Corporation Ltd. for the year 1993-94, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</p> <p data-bbox="919 1764 1335 2045">4. The Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts/Reports of the Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the years from 1990-91 to 1996-97.</p>

## 11. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Sr. No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
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### I. BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1.	Speaker	26-3-1998 (Morning Sitting)	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
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### II. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

1.	Chairman	26-3-1998 (Morning Sitting)	<p>i) 110th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the years 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87 (Civil) relating to Public Works (Building &amp; Roads Branch) Department.</p> <p>ii) 111th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1991-92 and 1992-93 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the years 1991-92 and 1992-93 (Civil) relating to Printing and Stationery Department.</p> <p>iii) 112th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years</p>
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			<p>1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the years 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95, and 1995-96 (Civil) (General Report).</p> <p>iv) 113th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1992-93 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1992-93 (Civil) relating to Food and Supplies Department.</p> <p>v) 114th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1986-87, and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the year 1986-87 (Civil) relating to Agriculture Department.</p> <p>vi) 115th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96</p>

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and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96 (Civil) relating to Industries Department.

### III. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS

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| 1. Chairman | 26-3-1998<br>(Morning sitting) | 53rd Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Report of Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the years 1982-83, 1983-84 and 1984-85 (Commercial) relating to Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited Punjab Tanneries Limited, Punjab Electronics Components Limited and Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Limited. |
| 2. Chairman | 27-3-1998                      | i) 54th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1987-88 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Hosiery and Knitwear Development Corporation Limited.<br><br>ii) 55th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing  |

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in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1989-99 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Electricity Board.

- iii) 56th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the year 1987-88 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Electricity Board.

#### IV. COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES, SCHEDULED TRIBES AND BACKWARD CLASSES

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| 1. Chairman | 26-3-1998<br>(Morning Sitting) | 21st Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 1997-98, in respect of the reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in Services and Posts in respect of the Public Works (B&R) Department. |
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#### V. COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES

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| 1. Chairman | 26-3-1998<br>(Afternoon sitting) | Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the |
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Sr. No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date of which presented/laid	Subject
			Government of Punjab for the year 1997-98.
2.	Chairman	27-3-1998	Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1996-97 in respect of Excise & Taxation Department.

#### VI. COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES

1.	Chairman	26-3-1998 (Morning Sitting)	31st Report of the Committee on Government Assurances for the year 1997-98.
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#### VII. COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION

1.	Chairman	27-3-1998	27th Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year 1997-98.
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#### VIII COMMITTEE ON PAPERS LAID/TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE

1.	Chairman	27-3-1998	9th Report of the Committee on Papers Laid/to be Laid on the Table for the year 1997-98.
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#### 12. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/ Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject matter	Decision/ Remarks
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.	26-3-98 (Morning Sitting)	26-3-98 (Morning Sitting)	Adoption of recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
2.	—do—	27-3-98	27-3-98	Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly sine-die.	Carried

### 13. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 66

In all 23 notices calling attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these 9 were admitted. One admitted notice could not be taken up in the House due to paucity of time. The detail of the remaining 8 admitted notices which were taken up in the House is given below :—

The rest were disallowed by the Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member (s) Calling Attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	5 & 10	1. Ch. Jagjit Singh 2. S. Gurcharan Singh 3. S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	26.3.98 (Morning Sitting)	Regarding anxiety amongst the people on account of death of thousand of heads of cattle due to Mouth and Foot disease.	Minister for Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development and Fisheries made a Statement in this behalf.
2.	7	1. Ch. Jagjit Singh 2. S. Avtar Singh Brar	26.3.98 (Morning Sitting)	Regarding reduction of grants by the Government to the Government aided Private Schools during the year 1996-97 from 95% to 45%	Minister for Higher Education and Languages made a statement in this behalf.

1	2	3	4	5	6
3.	11	S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	26.3.98 (Morning Sitting)	Regarding raising of power tariff in the State by the Punjab State Electricity Board in February, 1998 by 3 paise per unit.	Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.
4.	12	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	26.3.98 (Afternoon Sitting)	Regarding discon- tentment amongst thousands of Punjab Government emp- loyees posted at Chandigarh and occupying Government accommodation, due to disparity in licence fee (5% of basic pay) for those in occu- pation of Punjab Government Houses and standard rent for the allottees (Punjab Government Employees) of U.T. Houses.	Minister for Finance and Planning made a state- ment in this behalf.

1	2	3	4	5	6
5.	14	Com. Hardev Arshi	27.3.98	Regarding difficulties being faced by the poor people in the State due to Non-supply of Atta at Ration Depots at concessional rates.	Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.
6.	16&18	1. Com. Hardev Arshi 2. Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	27.3.98	Regarding discontentment amongst the consumers due to inadequate supply of kerosene at the Government Depots resulting in black-marketing of the said commodity in the State.	Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.

#### 14. STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

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The Ministers made six statements in reply to Call Attention Notices.



# 15. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

Number of speeches made by							Time taken by						
Treasury Benches		Members of I.N.C.	Members of C.P.I.	Member of B.S.P.	Member of SAD (M)	Independents	Treasury Benches		Members of I.N.C.	Members of C.P.I.	Member of B.S.P.	Member of SAD(M)	Independents
Members excluding Ministers	Ministers						Members excluding Ministers	Ministers					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
							H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.
7	13	7	5	1	2	—	0.39	2.16	0.56	1.03	0.11	0.08	—
20.00	37.14	20.00	14.28	2.86	5.72	—	12.46	43.45	17.89	20.12	3.52	2.56	—
per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	—	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	

Notes :—(1) Observations/Statements/Rulings etc. by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the statement.

(3) Time taken on Division, Adjournment Motions, No-confidence Motions, Call Attention Notices, Points of Order, Motions in respect of Legislation, Personal Explanations, Presentation of Reports and other papers etc. is also excluded from the Statement.



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## 16. FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1. Total No. of sitting of the Sabha	4
2. Total No. of Notices of Questions received :	
STARRED	385
UNSTARRED	83
3. Total No. of Short Notice Questions received	1
4. Total No. of sittings at which Questions were not taken up.	1
5. Total No. of Members from which Notices were received.	29
6. Total No. of Questions to which oral answers were given.	
Starred	40
Short Notice	1
7. Largest No. of Questions orally answered on any one day. (27.3.1998)	14
8. Least No. of Questions orally answered on any one day. (26.3.98) (A.N.S.)	13
9. Total No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions.	43
10. Total No. of Unstarred Questions replied to	35
11. Total No. of Starred Questions Postponed	5
12. Largest No. of Questions addressed to any one Minister on any one day. (Chief Minister, on 26.3.1998, Morning Sitting)	7
13. Largest No. of Questions orally answered by any one Minister, on any one day (Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister on 27.3.1998)	3

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## 17 QUESTIONS

## STATEMENT

Type of Questions	No. of Notices received	No. of Admitted Questions	No. of Disallowed/ Referred Back Questions	No. of Postponed Questions	No. of not-put Questions	No. of Questions Answered	No. of Starred Questions treated as Unstarred	No. of Questions deemed to have been answered under Rule-38	No. of Questions withdrawn	No. of Supple-mentaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
STARRED	385	267	118	5	2	40	43	12	1	97
UNSTARRED	83	57	26	6	—	35	—	—	—	—
SHORT NOTICE	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	3

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**18 STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED/SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS ANSWERED,  
DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE**

Date	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
<b>STARRED QUESTIONS</b>								
26.3.1998 (M.S.)	2	5	4	2	—	—	—	13
26.3.1998 (A.S.)	1	5	2	1	2	—	2	13
27.3.1998	2	3	4	—	2	—	3	14
								30
								40
<b>Short Notice Question</b>								
27.3.1998	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1

**19. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE  
BEEN ANSWERED UNDER RULE 38, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE**

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
26.3.1998 (M.S.)	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	2
26.3.1998 (A.S.)	1	1	1	3	—	—	—	6
27.3.1998	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	4
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## 20. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS

Date	Chief Minister	Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister	Cooperation Minister	Revenue & Rehabilitation Minister	Agriculture Minister	Finance and Planning Minister	Rural Development and Panchayats Minister	P.W.D. (B&R) Minister	Social and Welfare, Women and Child Minister
1.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
26.3.1998 (M.S.)	7	—	2	1	1	—	—	—	1
26.3.1998 (A.S.)	5	2	—	1	1	2	1	1	—
27.3.1998	5	1	—	—	2	—	1	3	—

Note :—As the Chief Minister was not available during the Session, Questions addressed to him were replied by the following Ministers,

1. Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, Local Government Minister :—

- a) Excise and Taxation Department
- b) Industry Department
- c) General Administration Department
- d) Other business not indicated specifically.

2. Shri Madam Mohan Mittal, Food and Supplies Minister

- a) Irrigation and Power Department
- b) Relief and Resettlement Department.

3. Capt. Kanwaljit Singh, Finance Minister

- a) Home and Police Department
- b) Personnel and Vigilance Department.

**QUESTIONS IN THE NAMES OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS, DATE-WISE**

B&R)	Social Security and Development of Women and Children Minister	Medical Education and Research & Science, Technology & Environment Minister	Higher Education & Languages Minister	Health & Family Welfare Minister	Public Health Minister	Transport Minister	Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development and Fisheries Minister	Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister	Minister of State for Jails	Minister of State for Elections
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	1	1	—	—	2	3	—	1	1	—
	—	1	1	3	—	—	1	1	—	—
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**21. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED, DATE-WISE  
AND PARTY-WISE**

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
26.3.1998 (M.S.)	—	1	2	1	—	—	—	4
26.3.1998 (A.S.)	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
27.3.1998	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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## 22. WALK-OUTS

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) walking out	Occasion
1.	26th March, 1998	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, BJP	As a protest against extension having been allowed in respect of her Starred Question No. 728.
2.	26th March, 1998	Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (INC), Leader of Opposition alongwith Members of her Party, present in the House.	As a protest against reply given by the Minister for Local Govt. and Labour and Employment to a Point of Order.
3.	26th March, 1998	All the Members of CPI, present in the House.	In protest on the issue of demand for conducting CBI enquiry.
4.	26th March, 1998	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, BSP.	—do—
5.	26th March, 1998	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, S.A.D. (Mann).	As a protest against not having been given time to speak during 'Zero Hour'.
6.	26th March, 1998	Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (INC), Leader of Opposition alongwith Members of her Party, present in the House, Members of C.P.I., present in the House and Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, B.S.P.	As a protest against the intention of the Govt. to talk out the Resolution.

1	2	3	4
7.	27th March, 1998	Members of Congress Party, present in the House.	As a protest against no action having been taken in the matter of attack on S. Sukhwinder Singh Buttar, Ex-MLA.
8.	27th March, 1998	All the Members of the Congress Party, present in the House & Members of C.P.I.	In Protest against non-acceptance of the suggestion for the Bill being withdrawn or referred to a Select Committee.

## 23. UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Sr. No.	Expression	Date
1.	ਸਪੀਕਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਮੈਂ ਕਹਿਣਾ ਚਾਹੁੰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਹਾਊਸ ਨੂੰ ਮਿਸ ਗਾਇਡ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to an Hon'ble Minister) 26-3-98
2.	...ਡਿਪਟੀ ਸਪੀਕਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਸਰਕਾਰ ਨੂੰ ਚਾਹੀਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਇਸ ਬਿੱਲ ਨੂੰ ਪਾਸ ਕਰਵਾਉਣ ਦੀ ਬਜਾਏ ਜਾਂ ਧੌਕੇ ਨਾਲ ਪਾਸ ਕਰਾਏ ਜਾਣ ਦੀ ਬਜਾਏ, ਇਸ ਦੇ ਲਈ ਕਮੇਟੀ ਬਣਾ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ ।	(When used with reference to a Bill i.e. The Punjab Mechanical Vehicles (Bridges and Roads Tolls) Bill, 1998) 27-3-98

## APPENDIX - I

## 24. BULLETINS

(Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meeting of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha held during its Fourth Session, 1998)

## BULLETIN NO. 1

Wednesday, the 25th March, 1998

(9.00 A.M. to 9.56 A.M.)

## I. Obituary References :

Shri Balramji Das Tandon, Honourable Minister, Local Government and Labour & Employment made reference to the passing away of the following personalities :—

1. Shri Gulzari Lal Nanda, Former Prime Minister of India.
2. Sardar Harchand Singh, Ex-Minister and Ex-M.P.
3. Sardar Arjan Singh Josh, M.L.A.
4. Kanwarani Jagdish Kaur, Ex-M.L.A.
5. Shri E. M. S. Namboodripad. Former Chief Minister of Kerala.

6. Shri Ishwar Singh, Former Speaker, Haryana Vidhan Sabha.
7. Shri Jang Singh, Freedom Fighter.
8. Dr. (Col.) D. S. Vohra, Founder, Navedic Prosthetic Centre, Daulat Singh wala.
9. Dewan K. S. Puri, Documentation Expert.

He expressed deep grief on the passing away of the above-said personalities. While paying tributes and referring to the services rendered by them in their respective fields, he urged that the sentiments expressed on the demise of the said personalities may be conveyed to the bereaved families, on behalf of the House, in the form of condolence messages.

Besides this, he also expressed his deep anguish and grief over the valuable human lives lost in the powerful tornado which occurred recently in West Bengal and Orissa, and, while paying tributes to the departed souls, he also urged that messages of condolence may be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased through the respective State Governments.

While doing so, he spoke for 11 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Hon. Members, while paying tributes to the departed souls, spoke for the time given against each :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, (I.N.C.)	15 minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Arshi (C.P.I.)	10 „
3.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (S.A.D. (Mann))	05 „
4.	Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal, Hon. Agriculture Minister	13 „

The Honourable Speaker, while associating himself with the sentiments expressed by the Hon. Members, paid tributes to the departed souls.

Thereafter, the Hon. Members stood in silence for two minutes for the peace of the departed souls.

The House, then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 26th March, 1998.



**BULLETIN NO. 2***Thursday, the 26th March, 1998***(Morning Sitting)****(9.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.)****I. Questions :****(a) Starred :**

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	13	1	2	35

The remaining Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly).

It was decided to take up the Supplementaries on Starred Question No. 747 relating to Challans under the General Sales Tax Act, before taking up the List of Questions for the 26th March, 1998 (Afternoon Sitting).

**(b) Unstarred : 17.****II. Intimation by the Hon. Speaker :**

During the Question Hour, the Hon. Speaker was pleased to intimate the House that the Hon. Speaker of the neighbouring State of Haryana, Professor Chhattar Singh Chauhan was present to watch the proceedings of the House.

**III. Announcement by the Hon. Speaker :****(a) Governor's Address :**

In pursuance of Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) the Hon. Speaker informed the House that under Article 176(1) of the Constitution of India, the Governor had been pleased to address the House at 11.30 A.M. on the 24th March, 1998.

He also placed a copy of the Address on the Table of the House.

**(b) Panel of Chairmen :**

The following Hon. Members were nominated by the Hon. Speaker under Rule 13 (1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct

of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), to serve on the Panel of Chairmen :

1. Professor Jagir Singh
2. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam
3. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
4. Shri Satpal Gosain

#### IV. Announcement by the Secretary :

The Secretary made the following Announcement :—

“I place a statement showing the Bills passed by the Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha during its Third Session, and which have since been assented to by the Governor.”

#### V. Calling Attention Notices :

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 5 and 10) regarding anxiety amongst the people on account of death of thousands of heads of cattle due to Mouth and Foot disease, given notice of by Hon. Members Chaudhari Jagjit Singh, Sardar Gurcharan Singh and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development and Fisheries made a statement in this behalf.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 7) regarding reduction of grants by the Government to the Government-aided Private Schools during the year 1996-97 from 95% to 45% given notice of by Hon. Members Chaudhari Jagjit Singh and Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Higher Education and Languages made a statement in this behalf.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 11) regarding raising of power tariff in the State by the Punjab State Electricity Board in February, 1998 by 3 paise per unit, given notice of by Hon. Member Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a Statement in this behalf.

#### VI. First Report of Business Advisory Committee :

The Hon. Speaker presented the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee before the House regarding the programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 26th March, 1998 and 27th March, 1998.

The following motion was moved by the Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs :

“That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.”

The motion was put before the House and carried unanimously.

#### VII. Papers Relaid/Laid on the Table :

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs :—

##### 1. Laid the following on the Table of the House :

- (a) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Ordinance No. 1 of 1998); and
- (b) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Ordinance No. 2 of 1998).

as require under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constiitution of India.

- 2. Relaid on the Table the Punjab State Legal Services Authorities Rules, 1996, as required under sub-section (2) of Section 30 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.
- 3. Laid on the Table the Annual Reports of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, for the years 1985-86 to 1989-90.
- 4. Laid on the Table the Annual Report of Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, for the year 1993-94, alongwith Government's comments, as required under section 39(0) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
- 5. Laid on the Table—
  - i) the Annual Report of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the year 1992-93, as required under section 27(6) of Punjab Backward Class Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1976 ; and
  - ii) the Balance Sheet of the Punjab Backward Classes and Land Development and Finance Corporation for the year 1992-93, as required under section 27(6) of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1976.
- 6. Laid on the Table the 13th Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited, for the year 1986, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

7. Laid on the Table the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation for the year 1994-95, alongwith statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the said Report, as required under section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
8. Laid on the Table the Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab Housing Development Board for the period from 1.4.95 to 30.6.95, as required under section 68(3) of the Punjab Housing Development Board Act, 1972.
9. Laid on the Table the Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation for the year 1996-97.

### VIII. Presentation of Reports :

#### 1. Committee on Public Accounts

Professor Jagir Singh, Chairman, Committee on Public Accounts, presented the following Reports of the Committee on Public Accounts :—

- i) 110th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the year 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87 (Civil) relating to Public Works (Building & Roads Branch) Department.
  - ii) 111th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1991-92 and 1992-93 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the years 1991-92 and 1992-93 (Civil) relating to Printing and Stationery Department.
  - iii) 112th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the years 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 (Civil) (General Report).
  - iv) 113th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1992-93 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1992-93 (Civil) relating to Food and Supplies Department.
- 114th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab

for the year 1986-87 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the year 1986-87 (Civil) relating to Agriculture Department.

- vi) 115th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96 (Civil) relating to Industries Department.

## **2. Committee on Public Undertakings**

Shri Satpal Gosain, Chairman, Committee on Public Undertakings presented the 53rd Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the years 1982-83, 1983-84 and 1984-85 (Commercial) relating to Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited, Punjab Tanneries Limited, Punjab Electronics Components Limited and Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Limited.

## **3. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes**

Sardar Sujan Singh, Chairman, Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes presented the 21st Report of the Committee on Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 1997-98 in respect of reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in Services and Posts in respect of the Public Works (B & R) Department.

## **4. Committee on Government Assurances**

Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, Chairman, Committee on Government Assurances, presented the 31st Report of the Committee on Government Assurances for the year 1997-98.

## **IX. NON-OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS :**

Shri Harminder Singh Jassi, M.L.A. moved the following Resolution :—

“This House recommends to the State Government to take suitable steps to enact Legislation to set up Special Courts for the trial of cases of atrocities on Women in the State.”

After moving the Resolution, he spoke for 7 minutes.

While participating in the discussion on the Resolution, the following Hon. Members/Ministers spoke for the time given against each :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Member/Minister	Time
1.	Hon. Minister for Finance & Planning (Capt. Kanwaljit Singh)	15 minutes
2.	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta (C.P.I.)	15 „
3.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (B.J.P.)	14 „
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (B.S.P.)	11 „
5.	Hon. Minister, Public Health & Civil Aviation (Raja Narinder Singh)	10 „
6.	Hon. Minister, Health and Family Welfare (Shri Manoranjan Kalia)	06 „
7.	Hon. Minister, Higher Secondary & Primary Education (Sardar Tota Singh)	07 „
8.	Hon. Minister of State, Food and Supplies (Shri Chiranji Lal)	09 „
9.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar [S.A.D. (Mann)]	03 „
10.	Hon. Minister, Medical Education and Research and Science and Technology and Environment (Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh)	14 „
11.	Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (I.N.C.)	08 „

#### X. WALK-OUT

During the Question Hour, Hon. Member, Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla staged a walk-out on the issue of extension having been allowed in respect of her Starred Question No. 728 pertaining to the Allocation of Grants to Schools/Colleges in the State.

Hon. Leader of the Opposition, Shrimati Rajinder Kaur Bhattal staged a walk-out, alongwith other Hon. Members of the Congress Party present in the House, on feeling dissatisfied with the reply given by the Hon. Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment, to a Point of Order raised by her during the 'Zero Hour', in connection with the demands of traders.

All the Hon. Members of the Communist Party of India present in the House, staged a walk out on the issue of demand for conducting of an enquiry by the C.B.I. in to the matter pertaining to the disappearance of two girls of two different hostels of Ferozepur.



The Hon. Member Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra of the Bahujan Samaj Party also staged a walk-out while mentioning this very issue.

The Hon. Member belonging to the Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann), Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, also staged a walk-out on not having been given time to speak during the 'Zero Hour'.

The Leader of the Opposition, Shrimati Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, while participating in the discussion on the Resolution, staged a walk-out alongwith other Hon. Members of the Congress Party present in the House, stating that she had a feeling that the Government intended to 'talk-out' the Resolution. The Hon. Members of the Communist Party of India present in the House, as well as Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, Hon. Member belonging to the Bahujan Samaj Party, also staged a walk-out alongwith them.

The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.54A.M. to 12.52 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 2.30 P.M. on Thursday, the 26th March, 1998.

### BULLETIN NO. 3

*Thursday, the 26th March, 1998*

*[Afternoon Sitting]*

**(2.00 P.M. to 4.36 P.M.)**

#### I. QUESTIONS :

As per decision taken at the Morning Sitting (dated the 26th March, 1998), three supplementaries were asked on Starred Question No. 747, and thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions, as per the List of Business, was taken up.

##### (a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	13	—	—	29

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*).

(b) Unstarred : 8.

## II. CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE :

Call Attention Notice (No. 12) regarding discontentment amongst thousands of Punjab Government employees posted at Chandigarh and occupying Government accommodation, due to disparity in licence fee -(5% of basic pay) for those in occupation of Punjab Government Houses, and standard rent for the allottees (Punjab Government Employees) of U.T. Houses, given notice of by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A., was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning made a statement in this behalf.

## III. FINANCIAL BUSINESS :

### Supplementary Demands :

The Hon. Minister for Finance presented the Supplementary Demands for Grants for expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1997-98.

### Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands :

The Chairman Estimates Committee, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1997-98.

### Discussion and Voting on Grants and Supplementary Demands for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1997-98 :

The Hon. Speaker informed the House that 23 Supplementary Demands for Grants will be discussed and voted upon. He sought the consent of the House that all the Demands mentioned in the List of Business, (namely, Demand No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 30) may be deemed to have been read and moved, which was accorded by the House.

All the Demands were deemed to have been read and moved. He requested the Hon. Members to mention the Demand number they wanted to speak on. He also intimated that guillotine would be applied at 5.30 P.M. under Rule 168 (4) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha [*Punjab Legislative Assembly*].

While participating in the discussion on all the Demands (23 Supplementary Demands), the following Hon. Members spoke for the time given against each :—



Sl. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	22 Minutes
2.	Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bhartiya Janata Party)	09 „
3.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (Bhartiya Janata Party)	03 „

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning, by way of reply, spoke for 6 minutes.

All the Demands (Demand No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 30), with the consent of the House, were put together to the vote of the House, and carried.

#### IV. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1998 :

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1998 and also moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1998, be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Then the Bill was considered clause-by-clause.

##### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

##### Clause 3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

##### Schedule

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

##### Clause 1

Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

##### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning moved that :

“The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1998, be passed”

The motion was put to the vote of House and carried.

*(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.56 P.M. to 4.23 P.M.)*

The House, then, adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Friday, the 27th March, 1998.

#### BULLETIN NO. 4

*Friday, the 27th March, 1998*

**(9.00 A.M. to 12.58 P.M.)**

#### 1 QUESTIONS :

##### (a) Starred

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	13	1	1	30

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*).

As regards his Starred Question No. 804 in connection with Recovery of Firearms, Hon. Member, Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar intimated that he had just received the reply to this question. On his insisting that supplementaries to the said Question be postponed, the Hon. Speaker postponed the supplementaries to this Question.

After checking the record, the Hon. Speaker informed the Hon. Member that the reply to the Question had been received the latter on the 24th March, 1998.

##### (b) Short Notice Question :

Three Supplementary Questions were asked on Short Notice Question No. 919 relating to Checking of land-erosion being caused by River Beas.

##### (c) Unstarred : 16.

#### II. CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES :

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 14) regarding difficulties being faced by the poor people in the State due to non-supply of Atta

at Ration Depots at concessional rates, given notice of by Hon. Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 16 and 18) regarding discontentment amongst the consumers due to inadequate supply of Kerosene at the Government Depots resulting in black-marketing of the said commodity in the State, given notice of by Hon. Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.

### III. MOTION UNDER RULE 16 :

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved :

“That the Vidhan Sabha (Assembly) at its rising this day shall stand ajourned *sine die*”.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House, and carried unanimously.

### IV. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE :

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table of the House :

1. (i) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1996-97 (Commercial)-Government of Punjab.

- (ii) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the year 1996-97 (Revenue Receipts)-Govt. of Punjab ;

as required under Article 151 (2) of the Constitution of India.

2. Annual Financial Statement of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1998-99, as required under Section 61 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
3. Annual Report & Accounts of the Punjab Small Industries & Export Corporation Ltd., for the year 1993-94, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
4. Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts/Reports of the Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd., for the years from 1990-91 to 1996-97.

## **PRESENTATION OF REPORTS :**

### **1. Committee on Public Undertakings**

Shri Sat Pal Gosain, Chairman, Committee on Public Undertakings, presented the following Reports of the Committee on Public Undertakings :—

- i) 54th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the year 1987-88 (Commercial) relating to Punjab State Hosiery and Knitwear Development Corporation Limited.
- ii) 55th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the year 1989-90 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Electricity Board.
- iii) 56th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for the year 1987-88 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Electricity Board.

### **2. Committee on Estimates**

Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Chairman, Committee on Estimates, presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1996-97 in respect of Excise & Taxation Department.

### **3. Committee on Subordinate Legislation**

Shri Satya Pal Saini, Chairman, Committee on Subordinate Legislation presented the 27th Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year 1997-98.

### **4. Committee on Papers Laid/To be Laid on the Table**

Sardar Tara Singh Ladal, Chairman, Committee on Papers Laid/To be Laid on the Table presented the 9th Report of the Committee on Papers Laid/To be Laid on the Table for the year 1997-98.

## **VI. MOTION REGARDING CONSTITUTION OF ELECTED COMMITTEES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99**

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved that—

“WHEREAS the elections to the—

1. Committee on Public Accounts;
2. Committee on Estimates;

3. Committee on Public Undertakings; and

4. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes,

for the year 1998-99, are to be held before the 31st March, 1998; and

WHEREAS the time left at the disposal of the House is extremely short and it is not possible to conduct, in the normal course, the elections to these Committees;

NOW, THEREFORE, this House authorises the Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha, to nominate the members of the aforesaid Committees for the aforesaid year, keeping in view the proportionate strength of various parties/groups in the House;

THIS House further resolves that for the above purpose, the rules of The Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*) relating to the elections to the said Committees for the year 1998-99, which are inconsistent with or contrary to the above resolution, shall stand suspended."

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and was carried unanimously.

## VII. FINANCIAL BUSINESS :

### 1. Presentation of Vote-on-Account for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the Year 1998-99

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning presented the Vote-on-Account for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab, for the year 1998-99, for three months.

While doing so, he spoke for 20 minutes.

### 2. Motion regarding Vote-on-Account for Three Months

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning moved that Vote-on-Account for three months (viz. April, May and June, 1998) amounting to Rs. 4956, 66,68,000 as in the Schedule, be taken into consideration at once and passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 3. The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1998

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning introduced The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1998 and also moved that :

"The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1998, be taken into consideration at once."

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

Then the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Schedule

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 1

Clause 1 was put to the vote of House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried,

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning moved that :

“The Punjab Appropriation (Vote-on-Account) Bill, 1998 be passed”.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### VIII. LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS :

#### The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1998-

The Hon. Minister of State for Public Relations, Revenue and Rehabilitation introduced The Punjab Land Revenue Amendment) Bill, 1998 and also moved that :

“The Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once”.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Then the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried,

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister of State for Public Relations, Revenue and Rehabilitation moved that the Punjab Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 1998 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998

The Hon. Minister for Rural Development and Panchayats, introduced. The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998 and also moved that :

“The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once.”

The following Hon. Members while participating in the discussion, spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Chaudhari Jagjit Singh ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	6 Minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi ( <i>Communist Party of India</i> )	9 Minutes
3.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	6 Minutes
4.	Sh. Jagdish Sawhney ( <i>Bhartiya Janta Party</i> )	7 Minutes
5.	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	2 Minutes

The Hon. Minister for Rural Development and Panchayats, Sardar Nirmal Singh Kahlon, by way of reply, spoke for 8 minutes.

The Motion that ‘The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once’ was put to the vote of the House and carried.



Then the Bill was considered clause by clause.

**Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7**

There being no amendments, Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Rural Development and Panchayats moved that The Punjab Panchnyati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998 be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1998**

*(To replace Punjab Ordinance No. 1 and 2 of 1998)*

The Hon. Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment introduced The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1998 and also moved that :

“The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once.”

The Hon. Member, Doctor Harbans Lal (*Indian National Congress*), while participating in the discussion, spoke for 9 minutes.

The Hon. Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment, by way of reply, spoke for 14 minutes.

The Motion that “The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once”, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Then the Bill was considered clause by clause.



### Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Clauses 2, 3, and 4

There being no amendments, Clauses 2, 3, and 4 were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

### Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment moved that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1998 be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### The Punjab Mechanical Vehicle (Bridges and Roads Tolls) Bill, 1998

The Hon. Minister for Public Works (Buildings and Roads) introduced The Punjab Mechanical Vehicles (Bridges and Roads Tolls) Bill, 1998 and also moved that—

“The Punjab Mechanical Vehicles (Bridges and Road Tolls) Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once.”

The following Hon. Members, while participating in the discussion, spoke for the time given against each :-

Sl. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev-Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	7 Minutes
2.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	5 Minutes
3.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bhartiya Janata Party)	2 Minutes
4.	Shri Tikshan Sood (Bhartiya Janata Party)	2 Minutes

The Hon. Minister for Public Works (Buildings and Roads), by way of reply, spoke for 3 minutes.

The Motion that "The Punjab Mechanical Vehicles (Bridges and Roads Tolls) Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once", was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Then the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11

There being no amendments, Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Schedules 1, 2 and 3

The Schedules 1, 2, and 3 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Public Works (Buildings and Roads) moved that the Punjab Mechanical Vehicles (Bridges and Roads Tolls) Bill, 1998 be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### IX. OFFICIAL RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 65(3) OF THE ELECTRICITY ((SUPPLY) ACT, 1948

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs, moved that—

"WHEREAS in pursuance of the provisions of Sub-section (3) of Section 65 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 (Central Act No. 54 of 1948), the Government of Punjab intends to raise the limit of maximum amount which the Punjab State Electricity Board may, at any time, have on loan under Sub-section (1) of Section 65 of the said Act, from the existing limit of Rs. 2000 crores, fixed with the

approval of the Vidhan Sabha vide Government of Punjab, Department of Irrigation and Power Memo No. 2/2/95-IPE(5)/19398-401, dated 25.9.1996, to Rs. 3000 crores (Rupees three thousand ~~and~~ crores only) which can be done be it with the approval of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is resolved and this House does hereby accord its approval to the fixing of the sum of Rs. 3000 crores (Rupees three thousand crores only) as the maximum amount which the Punjab State Electricity Board may at any time have on loan under Sub-Section (I) of Section 65 of the Act aforesaid".

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously,

#### X. WALK-OUT

During the 'Zero Hour', the Hon. Member of the Congress Party present in the House staged a walk-out in view of no action having been taken in the matter of the attack on Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Butter, Ex-M.L.A., despite a case having been registered in this behalf as pointed out by the Hon. Member, Shri Rakesh Pandey on a Point of Order".

During the discussion on The Punjab Mechanical Vehicles (Bridges and Roads Tolls) Bill, 1998, all the Hon. Members of the Congress Party present in the House staged a walk-out in protest against non-acceptance of their suggestion for the said Bill being withdrawn or referred to a Select Committee. The Hon. Members belonging to the Communist Party of India also joined them in the walk-out.

#### XI. POINTS OF ORDER

The Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Hon. Member were declared as 'No Point of Order' :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Number of Points of Order declared as 'No Point of Order'
1.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	1
2.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar	1

(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.36 A.M. to 10.41 A.M. and from 12.32 P.M. to 12.49 P.M.)

The House, then adjourned *sine die*.

## APPENDIX-II

## 25. COMMITTEES

## (i) Elected Committees

## I. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 7th April, 1998 in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on 27th March, 1998)

1. Prof. Jagir Singh
2. Captain Balbir Singh Bath
3. Sardar Balbir Singh Nathana
4. Bhai Harnirpal Singh
5. Sardar Jagdish Singh Garcha
6. Sardar Makhan Singh
7. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal
8. Shri Om Parkash Soni
9. Sardar Paramjit Singh
10. Shri Rakesh Kumar Pandey
11. Shri Ram Lal
12. Shri Satya Pal Saini
13. Sardar Sohan Singh Mahilpur

Under Rule 184 (I) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Prof. Jagir Singh as Chairman of the Committee.

## II. COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 7th April, 1998 in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on 27th March, 1998)

1. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria
2. Sardar Adesh Partap Singh Kairon
3. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
4. Sardar Balbir Singh Bhadaur

5. Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar
6. Com. Hardev Arshi
7. Shri Jagdish Sawhney
8. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla
9. Sardar Manmohan Singh
10. Shri Ram Kumar
11. Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh
12. Sardar Sher Singh
13. Sardar Tej Parkash Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) the Speaker has appointed Sardar Hira Singh Gabria as Chairman of the Committee.

### III. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 7th April, 1998 in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on 27th March, 1998):

1. Shri Sat Pal Gosain
2. Shri Avtar Henry
3. Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala
4. Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa
5. Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana
6. Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla
7. Sardar Mantar Singh
8. Chaudhary Mohan Lal Behram
9. Chaudhary Nand Lal
10. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam
11. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura
12. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra
13. Sardar Sadhu Singh Payal

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Sh. Sat Pal Gosain as Chairman of the Committee.

#### IV. COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES, SCHEDULED TRIBES AND BACKWARD CLASSES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99.

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 7th April, 1998 in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on 27th March, 1998)

1. Sardar Sujan Singh
2. Jathedar Ajaypal Singh Mirankot
3. Sardar Bachan Singh Cheema
4. Sardar Balwant Singh
5. Sardar Bhag Singh
6. Sardar Gulzar Singh Ranike
7. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu
8. Ch. Jagjit Singh
9. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi
10. Smt. Roop Rani
11. Smt. Satwant Kaur Sandhu
12. Sri Shingara Ram Sahungra
13. Sardar Sital Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) the Speaker has appointed Sardar Sujan Singh as Chairman of the Committee.

#### (ii) Nominated Committees

##### I. BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

( Nominated under Rule 208(1) )

1. Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal. Speaker.....Ex Officio  
Chairman

2. Shri Madan Mohan Mittal, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.
3. Capt Kanwaljit Singh, Minister for Finance.
4. Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, MLA and Leader of Opposition.
5. Raja Narinder Singh, Minister for Public Health.
6. Com. Hardev Arshi, MLA.

#### SPECIAL INVITEES.

1. Bibi Jagir Kaur, Minister for Tourism and Cultural Affairs.
2. Sardar Sujan Singh, MLA.

## II. COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

### (Nominated under Rule 233)

1. Sardar Manmohan Singh
2. Sardar Ajaib Singh Mukhnailpura
3. Sardar Balvir Singh Chaudhry
4. Shri Chuni Lal
5. Sardar Gobind Singh Lengowal
6. Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan
7. Shri Ram Kumar
8. Bibi Satwant Kaur Sandhu
9. Sardar Sital Singh
10. Sardar Sohan Singh Bodal
11. Sardar Sujan Singh
12. Sardar Ujagar Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid* the Speaker has appointed Sardar Manmohan Singh, as Chairman of the Committee.

### III. COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

(Nominated under Rule 238)

1. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam
2. Jathedar Ajaypal Singh Mirankot
3. Sardar Amarjit Singh Samra
4. Shri Arunesh Kumar
5. Sardar Charanjit Singh Nawanshah
6. Shrimati Daljit Kaur
7. Sardar Jagdish Singh Garcha
8. Chaudhary Mohan Lal Behram
9. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura
10. Sardar Ranjit Singh Balian
11. Sardar Sadhu Singh Baghapurana
12. Shri Tikshan Sood
13. Sardar Ujagar Singh Rangretta

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid.*, the Speaker has appointed Sardar Natha Singh Dalam as Chairman of the Committee.

### IV. COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

(Nominated under Rule 240)

1. Shri Satya Pal Saini
2. Sardar Ajaib Singh Mukhmailpura
3. Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta
4. Sardar Balvir Singh Chaudhry
5. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla



6. Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora
7. Sardar Dhanwant Singh
8. Sardar Gobind Singh Longowal
9. Dr. Harbans Lal
10. Prof. Jagir Singh
11. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal
12. Sardar Sohan Singh Bodal
13. Advocate-General, Punjab

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the **Speaker** has appointed Shri Satya Pal Saini as Chairman of the Committee.

**V. GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1998-99.**

**(Nominated under Rule 245 read with Rule 246)**

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|---|--------------------------------|
| 1. Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, Speaker   | <b>Ex-Officio<br/>Chairman</b> |
| 2. Shri Baldev Raj Chawla, Deputy Speaker |                                |
| 3. Sardar Sujan Singh                     |                                |
| 4. Prof. Jagir Singh                      |                                |
| 5. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal            |                                |
| 6. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria               |                                |
| 7. Sardar Manmohan Singh                  |                                |
| 8. Shri Satya Pal Saini                   |                                |
| 9. Sardar Ujagar Singh Rangretta          |                                |
| 10. Shri Harminder Singh Jassi            |                                |
| 11. Sardar Tara Singh Ladal               |                                |
| 12. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam              |                                |
| 13. Shri Sat Pal Gosair                   |                                |

14. Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal
15. Comrade Hardev Arshi
16. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra
17. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar
18. Sardar Dhanwant Singh Dhuri
19. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
20. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi

#### **SPECIAL INVITEES**

1. Sardar Parkash Singh Badal,  
Chief Minister, Punjab.
2. Capt. Kanwaljit Singh,  
Finance Minister, Punjab.
3. Sh. Madan Mohan Mittal,  
  
Parliamentary Affairs Minister, Punjab.

#### **VI. LIBRARY COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1998-99**

##### **(Nominated under Rule 248)**

1. Sardar Ujagar Singh Rangreta
2. Sardar Amrik Singh Dhillon
3. Shri Chuni Lal
4. Smt. Daljit Kaur
5. Sardar Gardhara Singh
6. Shri Nand Lal
7. Sardar Sadhu Singh Payal
8. Sardar Tara Singh Ladai
9. Sardar Vir Singh Lopoke

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Sardar Ujagar Singh Rangreta as Chairman of the Committee.

## VII. HOUSE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

(Nominated under Rule 249)

- |   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| 1. Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla,<br>Deputy Speaker | Ex-Officio<br>Chairman |
| 2. Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta                  |                        |
| 3. Sardar Gulzar Singh                      |                        |
| 4. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu                |                        |
| 5. Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar              |                        |
| 6. Ch. Jagjit. Singh                        |                        |
| 7. Sardar Paramjit Singh                    |                        |
| 8. Shri Ram Lal                             |                        |
| 9. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi          |                        |

## VIII. COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

(Nominated under Rule 250)

1. Shri Harminder Singh Jassi
2. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar
3. Sardar Bachan Singh
4. Sardar Gardhara Singh
5. Sardar Gurcharan Singh Dirba
6. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria
7. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla
8. Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra
9. Sardar Malkiat Singh
10. Sardar Ranjit Singh Balian
11. Sardar Sadhu Singh Baghapurana
12. Sardar Sher Singh Jalalabad
13. Sardar Vir Singh Lopoke

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207, *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Sh. Harminder Singh Jassi as Chairman of the Committee.

**IX. COMMITTEE ON PAPERS LAID/TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE FOR THE YEAR 1998-99**

**(Nominated under Rule 251-C (1) and (2))**

1. Sardar Tara Singh Ladal
2. Capt. Balbir Singh Bath
3. Sardar Balbir Singh Bhadaur
4. Sardar Balwant Singh
5. Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa
6. Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana
7. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla
8. Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra
9. Sardar Sohan Singh Mahilpur
10. Shri Tikshan Sood

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid* the Speaker has appointed Sardar Tara Singh Ladal, as Chairman of Committee.

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DURING  
The Budget (Fifth) Session, 1998  
WITH  
APPENDIX CONTAINING DAILY BULLETINS**



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**PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT, CHANDIGARH  
SEPTEMBER, 1998**



## PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Budget (Fifth) Session, 1998, held from 22nd June, 1998 to 9th July, 1998 together with the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above-mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

CHANDIGARH :

O.P. VERMA,

The 18th September, 1998

Secretary.

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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an Order of the Governor, dated the 25th May, 1998, to meet for its Budget (5th) Session in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, at 2.00 P. M. on the 22nd June, 1998 and it continued to meet till the 9th July, 1998 when it adjourned sine-die. It was later prorogued by an Order of the Governor, dated the 22nd July, 1998.

During the Session, the Sabha held 13th sittings. The Sabha held two sittings each on the 25th and 26th June, 1998.

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## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme observed
Monday, the 22nd June, 1998 (2.00 P.M. to 3.41 P.M.)	<p>(i) Oath or Affirmation by Smt. Mohinder Kaur declared elected in the Bye-election from Sham Chaurasi Assembly Constituency.</p> <p>(ii) Obituary references to the deaths of—</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) Sardar Darbara Singh, Governor of Rajasthan and former Speaker of Punjab Vidhan Sabha.</li><li>(2) Sh. Bishamber Nath Pandey, Former Governor of Orissa.</li><li>(3) Sh. Bishamber Nath Makkar, Ex-Minister.</li><li>(4) Sardar Teja Singh Dardi, Ex-M.P.</li><li>(5) Sardar Iqbal Singh Madhoke, Ex-M. L. A.</li><li>(6) Sardar Sartaj Singh, Lieutenant General (Retd.)</li><li>(7) Prof. Harbans Singh, Renowned Scholar.</li><li>(8) Sh. Talat Mehmood, Renowned Singer.</li><li>(9) Sh. Sushil Bali, Renowned Correspondent.</li></ol>

Date	Programme Observed
	(10) Kabaddi Players who died in a Road Accident.
	(11) Indian Pilgrims who died in a stampede at Mecca.
	(12) Victims of Gujarat Cyclone.
	(13) Sardar Bhag Singh Zaid, Ex-Member of S.G.P.C.
	(14) Jathedar Kuldip Singh Bhatia, Ex-Member of Shiromani Akali Dal.
Tuesday, the 23rd June, 1998	Off-day
Wednesday, the 24th June, 1998 (11.00 A.M. to 1.49 P. M.)	(i) Presentation and adoption of First Report of the Business Advisory Committee. (ii) Presentation of Budget Estimates for the year 1998-99.
Thursday, the 25th June, 1998 (Morning Sitting) (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	(i) Obituary references to the deaths of— (1) Babu Ajit Kumar, Ex-M.L.A. (2) Victims of Bus Accident near Kullu. (ii) Non-Official Resolution— "This House recommends to the State Government to enact legislation for protection of those persons from undue harassment who render timely help to the victims of road accidents by bringing them to hospitals for providing them immediate medical aid." (Talked out)

Date	Programme Observed
Thursday, the 25th June, 1998 (Afternoon Sitting) (2.30 P.M. to 6.26 P.M.)	General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the Year 1998-99.
Friday, the 26th June, 1998 (Morning Sitting) (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	(i) Motion under Rule 97 regarding suspension of Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra, M.L.A. from the sitting of the House. (Carried)  (ii) Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1998-99.
Friday, the 26th June, 1998 (Afternoon Sitting) (2.30 P.M. to 4.44 P.M.)	Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1998-99.  (Discussion concluded)
Saturday, the 27th June, 1998	Holidays
Sunday, the 28th June, 1998	
Monday, the 29th June, 1998 (2.00 P.M. to 3.10 P.M.)	(i) Obituary References to the deaths of—  1. Master Nahnu Ram, Ex-M.L.A. 2. Sh. Nikhil Chakravarty, Chairman, Prasar Bharti Board, New Delhi.  (ii) Discussion and Voting on the following Demands for Grants relating to the Budget Estimates for the year 1998-99.  (1) Demand No. 15 in respect of Irrigation & Power.  (2) Demand No. 12 in respect of Home Affairs and Justice.  (3) Demand No. 23 in respect of Rural Development and Panchayats.  (4) Demand No. 5 in respect of Education.

Date	Programme Observed
Tuesday, the 30th June, 1998 (9.00 A.M. to 12.36 P.M.)	(i) Discussion and Voting on the remaining Demands for Grants.  (ii) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1998.  (Passed)
Wednesday, the 1st July, 1998 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	(i) Presentation and adoption of Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.  (ii) Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address.
Thursday, the 2nd July, 1998 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	Non-Official Resolution—  “This House recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to set up a State Administrative Tribunal in order to expedite the service cases of the State Government employees.”  (Talked Out).
Friday, the 3rd July, 1998 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	Resumption of Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address.
Saturday, the 4th July, 1998 }	Holidays
Sunday, the 5th July, 1998 }	
Monday, the 6th July, 1998 (10.00 A.M. to 3.31 P.M.)	Resumption of Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's address.  (Carried)
Tuesday, the 7th July, 1998	Off-day.
Wednesday, the 8th July, 1998	Holiday.

Date	Programme Observed
Thursday, the 9th July, 1998 (10.00 A.M. to 3.33 P.M.)	(i) Motion under Rule 16 regarding Adjournment of the Assembly sine-die.
	(Carried)
	(ii) The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 1998.
	(Passed)
	(iii) The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill, 1998.
	(Passed)
	(iv) Resolution under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India regarding disapproval of the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1998) (Discussed together with the Bill on the Subject).
	(Lost)
	(v) The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998.
	(Passed)
	(vi) Resolution under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India regarding disapproval of the Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Board Ordinance 1998 (Punjab Ordinance)

Date	Programme Observed
	No. 5 of 1998) (Discussed together with the Bill on the subject).
	(Lost)
	(vii) The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Board Bill, 1998.
	(Passed)
	(viii) The Punjab Excise (Amendment) Bill, 1998.
	(Passed)
	(ix) The Punjab Education Development Bill, 1998.
	(Passed)
	(x) The Indian Stamp Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 1998.
	(Passed)
	(xi) The East Punjab War Awards (Amendment) Bill, 1998.
	(xii) The Baba Farid University of Health Sciences Bill, 1998.
	(Passed)
	(xiii) The Punjab State Legislature Officers, Ministers and Members Salaries, Allowances and Facilities Laws (Amendment) Bill, 1998.
	(Passed)

Date	Programme Observed
	(xiv) Discussion on the Annual Administration Report of the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board for the year 1996-97, which was laid on the Table of the House on the 25th June, 1998.
	(xv) Discussion on the 13th Annual Report & Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1991-92 which was laid on the Table of the House on the 25th June, 1998.



### 3. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 5th June, 1998, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) :—

1. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, M.L.A.
  2. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, M.L.A.
  3. Shri Sat Pal Gosain, M.L.A.
  4. Sardar Amarjit Singh Samra, M.L.A.
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#### 4. GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

The Governor addressed the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 24th March, 1998 during its Fourth Session, 1998.

The Speaker laid a copy of the Governor's Address on the Table of the House on the 26th March, 1998 (Morning Sitting) during the Fourth Session, 1998.

The Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address was moved by Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, M.L.A. on the 1st July, 1998 which was seconded by Shri Tikshan Sood, M.L.A., on the same day.

The Motion was discussed on the :—

1st July, 1998	For 210 minutes (Treasury Benches 178 minutes and C.P.I. 32 minutes).
3rd July, 1998	For 204 minutes (Treasury Benches 111 minutes, Congress 52 minutes and C.P.I 41 minutes).
6th July, 1998	For 292 minutes (Treasury Benches 248 minutes and Congress 44 minutes).

25 Members took part in the discussion, 21 from the Treasury Benches (including the Mover/Seconder of the Motion and the Chief Minister), two each from Congress and C. P. I. speaking for 537 minutes, 96 minutes and 73 minutes respectively.

The Motion was carried on the 6th July, 1998.

It was communicated by the Speaker on the 6th July, 1998 to the Governor.

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## 5. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on the dates mentioned against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the deceased	Date on which reference was made.
1.	Sardar Darbara Singh, Governor of Rajasthan and former Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha.	22-6-1998
2.	Shri Bishamber Nath Pandey, Former Governor of Orissa.	
3.	Shri Bishamber Nath Makkar, Ex-Minister.	
4.	Sardar Teja Singh Dardi, Ex-M.P.	
5.	Sardar Iqbal Singh Madhoke, Ex-M.L.A.	
6.	Sardar Sartaj Singh, Lieutenant General (Retd.)	
7.	Professor Harbans Singh, Renowned Scholar.	
8.	Shri Talat Mehmood, Renowned Singer	
9.	Shri Sushil Bali, Renowned Correspondent.	
10.	Kabaddi Players who died in a road accident.	
11.	Indian Pilgrims who died in a stampede at Mecca.	
12.	Victims of Gujarat Cyclone.	
13.	Sardar Bhag Singh Zaid, Ex-Member of S.G.P.C.	
14.	Jathedar Kuldip Singh Bhatia, Ex-Member of Shiromani Akali Dal.	
15.	Babu Ajit Kumar, Ex-M.L.A.	25-6-1998 (Morning Sitting)
16.	Victims of Bus Accident near Kullu.	

Sr. No	Name of the deceased	Date on which reference was made
17.	Master Nanhu Ram, Ex-M.L.A.	29-6-1998
18.	Shri Nikhil Chakravarty, Chairman, Prasar Bharati Board, New Delhi.	

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes on all the occasions as a mark of respect to the memories of the deceased.

## 6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

### Budget Estimates for the year 1998-99

- (i) The Budget Estimates for the year 1998-99 were presented to the House on the 24th June, 1998.

General Discussion on the Budget was held on the —

25th June, 1998 (Afternoon Sitting)	For 151 minutes (Treasury Benches 113 minutes and Congress 38 minutes)
26th June, 1998 (Morning Sitting)	For 120 minutes (Treasury Benches only)
26th June, 1998 (Afternoon Sitting)	For 107 minutes (Treasury Benches only)

The total time taken by the Treasury Benches including time taken by the Finance Minister was 340 minutes and Congress 38 minutes.

- (ii) **Demands for Grants**: There were in all 30 Demands for Grants totalling a sum of Rs. 1,77,26,56,85,000/-

Demands No. 15,12,23 and 5 were specifically discussed on the 29th June, 1998 and were put to the vote of the House and carried. The rest of the Demands were also put to the vote of the House on the 30th June, 1998 and were carried.

For detail see Statement at page-infra.

- (iii) **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1998.**

The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1998 (Bill No. 9-PLA-of 1998) in respect of the Demands voted by the Sabha and Expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab was introduced on the 30th June, 1998.

It was before the House for 134 minutes—two Members from Treasury Benches (including Finance Minister) and two from Congress and one from CPI participated in the debates speaking for 43 minutes, 61 minutes and 30 minutes respectively.

The Bill was passed on the 30th June, 1998.

## BUDGET ESTIMATES 1998-99

Detailed Statement Showing the No. of Cut Motions moved and No. of speeches made in respect of Demands and Dates on which these were discussed

S. No.	Demand No.	Subject	Date on which discussed	No. of Speeches						Time taken in minutes						Cut Motions moved						Cut Motions withdrawn/ held out of order						Remarks
				TRY.	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D.(M)	IND.	TRY.	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D.(M)	IND.	TRY.	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D.(M)	IND.	TRY.	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D.(M)	IND.	
1.	15	Irrigation and Power	29-6-1998																									
	12	Home Affairs and Justice																										
	23	Rural Development and Panchayats								25																		
	5	Education																										
2.	*	Rest of Demands for Grants	29-6-1998																									

\* Guillotine was applied in respect of Demands for Grants fixed for 29-6-1998.

## 7. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on the 30th June, 1998 and 9th July, 1998.

### I. Official Bills

The Sabha passed 11 Bills in all (including 1 Appropriation Bill).  
(See Table)

### II. Non-Official Bills

Nil

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A. PROVISIONS

The Sabha transferred Legislative Powers in the 30th June, 1948 and 31st July, 1948.

I. Original Bills

The Sabha passed 11 Bills in all including 7 in cooperation with the Government (See Table)

II. Non-Original Bills

1. The Punjab Land Revenue Bill, 1948  
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TABLE

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Minister Introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of Consideration	Number of Speeches						Time Taken in Minutes						Amendments Proposed						Amendments not moved/withdrawn/held out of order/Leave refused						Amendments carried						Total time taken in minutes for the disposal of the Bill	Date of Passing	Remarks
					TRY.	I. N. C.	C. P. I.	B. S. P.	S.A.D. (M)	IND.	TRY.	I. N. C.	C. P. I.	B. S. P.	S.A.D. (M)	IND.	TRY.	I. N. C.	C. P. I.	B. S. P.	S.A.D. (M)	IND.	TRY.	I. N. C.	C. P. I.	B. S. P.	S.A.D. (M)	IND.	TRY.	I. N. C.	C. P. I.	B. S. P.	S.A.D. (M)	IND.			
1.	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1998.	Minister for Finance	30-6-98	30-6-98	1	2	1	—	4	—	39	61	30	—	04	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	134 Minutes	30-6-98	
2.	The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 1998.	Minister for Agriculture	9-7-98	9-7-98	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10 Minutes	9-7-98		
3.	The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill, 1998	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	9-7-98	9-7-98	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10 Minutes	9-7-98		
4.	The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998.	Minister for Rural Dev. & Panchayats	9-7-98	9-7-98	1	2	1	—	1	—	14	21	16	—	04	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	55 Minutes	9-7-98		
5.	The Punjab Roads & Bridges Development Board Bill, 1998.	Minister for Public works (B. & R.)	9-7-98	9-7-98	1	1	1	—	—	—	04	02	09	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	15 Minutes	9-7-98		
6.	The Punjab Excise (Amendment) Bill, 1998.	Minister for Parl. Affairs	9-7-98	9-7-98	1	1	—	—	—	—	10	02	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12 Minutes	9-7-98		
7.	The Punjab Education (Development) Bill, 1998.	Minister for Education	9-7-98	9-7-98	3	1	1	—	—	—	04	01	08	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13 Minutes	9-7-98		
8.	The Indian Stamp Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 1998.	Minister for Public Relations	9-7-98	9-7-98	1	—	1	—	—	—	05	—	06	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11 Minutes	9-7-98		
9.	The East Punjab War Awards (Amendment) Bill, 1998.	Minister for Defence Services	9-7-98	9-7-98	1	—	—	—	—	—	05	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	05 Minutes	9-7-98		
10.	The Baba Farid University of Health Sciences Bill, 1998.	Minister for Med. Education & Research	9-7-98	9-7-98	1	1	1	—	—	—	10	10	11	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	31 Minutes	9-7-98		
11.	The Punjab State Legislature Officers, Ministers and Members Salaries, Allowances and Facilities Laws (Amendment) Bill, 1998	Minister for Parl. Affairs	9-7-98	9-7-98	1	1	1	—	—	—	04	07	08	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19 Minutes	9-7-98		



## 8. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA

### 1. THE PUNJAB APPROPRIATION (NO. 2) BILL, 1998.

(Introduced and passed on the 30th June, 1998).

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of all moneys required to meet the expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund and the grants made in advance by the Legislative Assembly in respect of the estimated expenditure of the State Government, for the Financial Year, 1998-99.

### 2. THE PUNJAB AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE MARKETS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1998.

(Introduced and passed on the 9th July, 1998).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to make provision for raising loans by Mandi Board from the State Government.

### 3. THE PUNJAB STATE ELECTION COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1998.

(Introduced and passed on the 9th July, 1998).

This Bill replaces the Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 1998) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act to restrict the period of electioneering for Panchayats to maximum of 10 days and minimum of 7 days after the last date of withdrawal of nominations to the date of Poll.

### 4. The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998.

(Introduced and passed on the 9th July, 1998).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1998) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act so as to make the term of three tier Panchayat Bodies co-terminus.

### 5. The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Board Bill, 1998.

(Introduced and passed on the 9th July, 1998).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Board Ordinance 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1998) which was promulgated to provide for the establishment of the Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Board with a view to improve the quality of Roads and Bridges infrastructure in the State of Punjab.

**6. The Punjab Excise (Amendment) Bill, 1998.**

(Introduced and passed on the 9th July, 1998).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to enhance the fine punishment and to cover more offences as non-bailable.

**7. The Punjab Education Development Bill, 1998.**

(Introduced and passed on the 9th July, 1998).

This Bill seeks to provide for the establishment of the Punjab Education Development Board with a view to improve the quality of education in the State and for improving infrastructural facilities and amenities in the educational institutions in the State.

**8. The Indian Stamp Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 1998.**

(Introduced and passed on the 9th July, 1998).

This Bill seeks to amend the Indian Stamp Act, 1899, in its application to the State of Punjab to enhance Stamp duty on some instruments, as given in the Schedule I-A.

**9. The East Punjab War Awards (Amendment) Bill, 1998.**

(Introduced and passed on the 9th July, 1998).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to make provision that whenever any enhancement in the War Jagir amount becomes necessary it could be done simply, vide issuing executive instructions.

**10. The Baba Farid University of Health Sciences Bill, 1998.**

(Introduced and passed on the 9th July, 1998).

This Bill seeks to establish and incorporate a University in the State of Punjab to be known as Baba Farid University of Health Sciences for the purpose of affiliating and teaching and ensuring proper and systematic instruction, training and research in Modern systems of Medicine and Indian Systems of Medicine.

**11. The Punjab State Legislature Officers, Ministers and Members' Salaries, Allowances and Facilities Laws (Amendment) Bill, 1998.**

(Introduced and passed on the 9th July, 1998).

This Bill seeks to provide for increase in

- Compensatory Allowance;
- Constituency, Secretarial and Postal Facilities Allowance;
- Ceiling on advance for building or purchase of a House;
- Ceiling on advance for purchase of a motor car etc.;
- Ceiling on reimbursement of local and trunk telephone calls in the performance of duty;
- Halting Allowance to the Legislators; for grant of;
- All the allowances, perquisites and facilities at the enhanced rates applicable to Legislators,

to the Speaker and Deputy Speaker, the Chief Minister, Ministers and the Deputy Ministers.

## 9. RESOLUTIONS

(i) Official

NIL

(ii) Non-Official

Sr. No.		Total	Treasury Benches	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D. (Mann)	Ind.
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Number of notices received ..	33	7	12	10	—	1	3
2.	Number of notices admitted ..	32	6	12	10	—	1	3
3.	Number of notices disallowed ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
4.	Number of notices referred back ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5.	Number of resolutions for ballot ..	32	6	12	10	—	1	3
6.	Total number of resolutions lapsed on prorogation ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7.	Number of ballots held ..	2						
8.	Date(s) on which Ballots held ..	24-6-98 and 1-7-98						

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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9. Date(s) on which business other than Govt. business was transacted 25-6-98 (M.S.) and 2-7-1998

1. The Resolution given notice of by Hon'ble Member Sh. Bhagwan Dass Arora (Indian National Congress) that :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to set up a State Administrative Tribunal to expedite the service cases of the State Government Employees."

balloted for Thursday, the 25th June, 1998 (Morning Sitting) could not be moved as the Hon. Member was not present in the House.

2. On Thursday, the 25th June, 1998 (Morning Sitting) Hon'ble Member Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bhartiya Janata Party) moved the following Resolution :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to enact legislation for protection of those persons from undue harassment who render timely help to the victims of road accidents by bringing them to hospitals for providing them immediate medical aid."

and while doing so, spoke for 21 minutes and for another 7 minutes, by way of reply to the discussion generated by the Resolution.

The Resolution was discussed in the House for 1 Hour and 59 Minutes. 10 Members from the Treasury Benches and one Member each from C. P. I., S.A.D. (Mann) and I. N. C., participated in the debate and spoke for an aggregate of 1 Hour 33 Minutes, 09 minutes, 06 minutes, and 11 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was talked out.

3. The Resolution given notice of by the Hon'ble Member Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora (Indian National Congress) that :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to set up a State Administrative

Tribunal in order to expedite the service cases of the State Government employees."

balloted for Thursday, the 2nd July, 1998 could not be moved as the Hon'ble Member was not present in the House.

4. On Thursday the 2nd July, 1998, Hon'ble Member Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress) moved the following Resolution :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to set up a State Administrative Tribunal in order to expedite the service cases of the State Government employees".

and while doing so, spoke for 8 minutes.

The Resolution was discussed in the House for 2 hours 53 minutes. 8 Members from the Treasury Benches, 1 Member each from C.P.I., S.A.D. (Mann), and I.N.C. participated in the debate on the Resolution and spoke for an aggregate of 2 Hours 19 minutes, 09 minutes, 03 minutes, and 22 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was talked out.



## 10. PAPERS LAID/RE-LAID

Sr. No.	By whom laid/ re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	25-6-1998 (Morning sitting)	<p>1. The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 1998) as required under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p>2. The Punjab State Legal Services Authorities Rules, 1996 as required under sub-section (2) of Section 30 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.</p> <p>3. The Punjab Payment of Allowances and Fees to the Chairmen, Vice-Chairmen and Members of the Panchayat Samities and Zila Parishad Rules, 1996, as required under sub-section (3) of Section 227 of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994.</p>

Sr. No.	By whom laid/ re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
			4. The Punjab Panchayat Election (First Amendment) Rules, 1998, as required under section 139 (2) of Punjab State Election Commission Act, 1994.
			5. (i) the High Court Legal Services Committee Regulations, 1998; and (ii) the Punjab Legal Services Authority (Transaction of Business and other Provisions) Regulations, 1998, as required under section 30 (2) of the Legal Services Authority Act, 1987.
			6. The 26th Annual Report of the Punjab Land Development & Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the year 1990-91, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

Sr. No.	By whom laid/ re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
			<p>7. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Report of Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97.</p> <p>8. The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 75 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.</p> <p>9. The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the years 1993-94 and 1994-95 and Balance Sheet of the said Corporation for the year 1993-94, as required under section 27(6) and 27(5) respectively of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and</p>

Sr. No.	By whom laid/ re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
			Finance Corporation Act, 1970.
			10. The Annual Adminis- tration Report of the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board for the year 1996-97, as required under section 42(2) of the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board Act, 1976.
			11. The Statement sho- wing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts of the Goindwal Indus- trial & Investment Corporation of Punjab Ltd. for the years 1995-96 and 1996-97.
			12. The Statement show- ing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts of Punjab Small Indus- tries & Export Corporation Ltd. for the years 1994-95 1995-96 and 1996-97.

Sr. No.	By whom laid/ re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
			13. The Annual Report-cum-Balance Sheet of Punjab Energy Development Agency for the year 1995-96.
			14. The 31st Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Agro Industries Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
			15. The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1996-97, as required under section 69 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
			16. The 21st Annual Report of the Punjab State Electronics Development & Production Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

Sr. No.	By whom laid/ re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
			<p>17. The 13th Annual Report &amp; Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1991-92, along with statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Report of the said Corporation from the years 1991-92 to 1996-97, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</p> <p>18. The 15th Annual Report of the Goindwal Industrial &amp; Investment Corporation of Punjab Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</p>
II.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	26-6-1998 (Afternoon Sitting)	The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1998) as required under Article

Sr. No.	By whom laid/ re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
III.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	1-7-1998	<p data-bbox="997 623 1394 707">213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p data-bbox="938 748 1394 1117">1. The Punjab Roads and Bridges Develop- ment Board Ordinan- ce, 1998 (Ordinance No. 5 of 1998) as required under Arti- cle 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p data-bbox="905 1153 1394 1346">2. (i) Finance Accounts for the year 1996- 97 Government of Punjab;</p> <p data-bbox="992 1382 1394 1598">(ii) Appropriation Accounts for the year 1996-97 Gove- rnment of Punjab; and</p> <p data-bbox="981 1647 1394 1875">(iii) Report of the Comp- troller and Audi- tor General of India for the year 1996-97,</p>
IV.	—do.—	2-7-1998	<p data-bbox="964 1899 1427 2152">as required under Clause (2) of Article 151 of the Constitution of India. The 38th to 42nd Annual Reports of the Punjab</p>

Sr. No.	By whom laid/ re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
			Financial Corporation for the years 1990-91 to 1994-95, as required under section 38(3) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.
V.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	6-7-1998	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The 14th Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. for the year 1987, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</li> <li>2. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Small Industries and Export Corporation Ltd. for the year 1994-95, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</li> </ol>
VI.	--do--	9-7-1998	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Annual Report of the Punjab Police Housing Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</li> </ol>



Sr. No.	By whom laid/ re-laid	Date on which laid/re-laid	Subject
1	2	3	4

2. The Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1995-96 along with Review, as required under section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.

## 11. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Sr. No.	By whom Presented/ Laid	Date on which Presented/Laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
<b>Business Advisory Committee</b>			
1.	Speaker	24-6-1998	First Report of the Business Advisory Commi- tee.
2.	Speaker	1-7-1998	Second Report of the Business Advisory Commi- tee.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Notice of one Adjournment Motion was received on 9th July, 1998 from different Members which was mentioned in the House. The detail is given below: —

Sr. No.	Date of the Motion	Date on which mentioned in the House	Member(s) giving notice	Subject	Decision
1.	9-7-1998	9-7-1998	1. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar	Non-inclusion of Udham Singh	Disallowed
			2. Shri Hardev Singh Arshi	Nagar	
			3. Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan	District in Utranchal Pardesh.	
			4. Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta		

## 13. QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Notices of three Privilege Motions were received. The following one was, however, disposed of in the House: —

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) giving Notice	Subject-matter	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5
1.	1-7-1998	Doctor Harbans Lal	Regarding misbehaviour and harshness on the part of Shri Gurdev Singh, D. S. P. and Shri Gurchain Singh, S.H.O. Mandi Gobindgarh against him.	The Speaker observed that as per report from the Government, the Hon. Member had been accorded due regard and respect and no mis-behaviour or harshness was meted out to the Hon. Member. Therefore, no breach of privilege was involved in the matter and consent to raise the Question of privilege was refused.

## 14. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member Moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject	Decision/Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	24-6-1998	24-6-1998	Adoption of recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried.
2.	—do—	26-6-1998 (Morning Sitting)	26-6-1998 (M. S.)	Motion under Rule 97 reg. suspension of Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra, MLA, from the Sitting of the House.	Carried.
3.	—do—	1-7-1998	1-7-1998	Adoption of recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried.
4.	S. Baldev Singh Khiala, MLA	1-7-1998	1-7-1998 3-7-1998 6-7-1998	Motion of Thanks for the Address delivered by the Governor on 24-3-1998.	Carried. on 6-7-98.
5.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	9-7-1998	9-7-1998	Motion under Rule 16 reg. adjournment of the Assembly <i>sine-die</i> .	Carried.

## 15. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 66

In all 61 notices calling attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these 18 were admitted. One admitted notice could not be taken up in the House due to paucity of time and two notices were not put. The details of the remaining 15 admitted notices which were taken up in the House are given below: —

The rest were disallowed by the Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other.

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member (s) Calling Attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1.	2	3	4	5	6

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1.	1	Ch. Mohan Lal	25-6-98 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. discontentment amongst the candidates because of marking the answer sheets (O.M.R. sheets) with pencil in the PCS as well as other competitive examinations.	Chief Minister made a statement in this behalf.
2.	3	Sh. Satya Pal Saini	25-6-98 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. shortage of drinking water in the villages of Kandj area of Dhar	Minister for Public Health and Civil Aviation made a

3.	6	Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	25-6-98 (Morning Sitting)	Block in District Gurdaspur.  Reg. resentment amongst the 1500 Teachers in the State whose future has been darkened due to declaration of the Act passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha as void by the Punjab & Har- yana High Court.	statement in this behalf.  Minister for Higher Secondary and Prim- ary Education made a statement in this behalf.
4.	8	Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	25-6-98 (Afternoon Sitting)	Reg. trespassing by anti- social elements in the Nursing Hostel of the Government Rajindra Hospital and Medical College Patiala on the night of 10th June, 98, resulting in vacation of Hostel by two hundred girls out of fear.	The Minister for Medical Education & Research made a state- ment in this behalf.
5.	9	L. Ch. Jagjit Singh	25-6-98 (Afternoon Sitting)	Reg. discontentment amongst the local	Minister of State for Printing and Stationery

1	2	3	4	5	6
		2. Sh. Harminder Singh Jassi	Sitting)	printers due to the contract awarded by the Government to two Delhi firms for printing of ballot papers for the Panchayat polls in the State.	and Housing made a statement in this behalf.
6.	13	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	25-6-98 (Afternoon Sitting)	Reg. acute shortage of drinking water in many areas of Amritsar City especially in the walled city during these terrible hot days of Summer.	The Minister for Local Government & Labour and Employment made a statement in this behalf.
7.	15	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	26-6-98 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. frequent power cuts in District Amritsar during these very hot days of Summer resulting in disruption of water supply and business activity,	The Chief Minister made a statement in this behalf.



8.	17	Sardar Adesh Partap Singh Kairon	29-6-98	Reg. difficulty being faced by farmers of Border villages in the absence of Crop Insurance Scheme as their crops are damaged due to not only natural calamities but also due to man made calamities.	The Agriculture Minister made a statement in this behalf.
9.	38	1. Com. Hardev Singh Arshi 2. Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta	2-7-98	Reg. discontentment prevalent amongst the poor sections of society due to non-supply of essential eatable commodities at the Ration De-pots resulting in steep rise in the prices of the said commodities.	The Minister for Food & Supplies & Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.
10.	39	1. Com. Hardev Singh Arshi 2. Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta	2-7-98	Reg. discontentment amongst the Pharmacists due to the ban imposed by the Government on treatment of animals and cattle by them.	The Minister for Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development & Fisheries made a statement in this behalf.
11.	41	1. Sardar Balbir Singh Miani	3-7-98	Reg. danger to many villages of Tanda Block	The Minister for Public Works (B &

1	2	3	4	5	6
	2.	Capt. Balbir Singh Bath		and newly constructed Bridge over Beas River due to severe erosion of Dhusi Bandh near village Rarah towards Hargobindpur and Hoshiarpur.	R) made a statement in this behalf.
12.	43	Sardar Sher Singh	6-7-98	Reg. discontentment amongst the people of District Ferozepur due to acute shortage of kerosene.	The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.
13.	50	Sh. Satya Pal Saini	9-7-98	Reg. migration of small industrial units of Sub-Division Pathankot and its surrounding areas to J & K and Himachal Pradesh States due to non-payment of timely subsidy on power tariff	The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.

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|-----|----|-----------------------------------|--------|--|
| 14. | 51 | Smt. Laxmi<br>Kanta Chawla        | 9-7-98 | <p>Reg. the decision taken by the Government to re-constitute Faculty of Unani and Ayurvedic system of Medicine in the State and to attach some Colleges to it whereas the Central Council of Indian Medicine has directed the State Govt. not to constitute the said Council.</p> <p>The Minister for Medical Education and Research made a statement in this behalf.</p> |
| 15. | 59 | Sardar Mannohan<br>Singh Sathiala | 9-7-98 | <p>Reg. erosion of land of Dera Baba Jaimal Singh due to change of course by Beas River and lurking danger to the Air stripe constructed by devotees.</p> <p>The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.</p>   |

## 16. STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Chief Minister/Ministers made 15 statements in reply to Call Attention Notices.

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**Notes :—** (1) Observations/Statements, Rulings, etc., by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above Statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the Statement.

(3) Time taken on Privilege Motions, Call Attention Notices, Points of Order, Motions in respect of Legislation, Congratulatory Speeches, Presentation of Reports and Papers etc. is also excluded from the Statement.

## 18. FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1	2	3
1.	Total No. of Sitzings of Sabha ..	13
2.	Total No. of Notices of Questions received:	
	Starred ..	360
	Unstarred ..	64
3.	Total No. of Short Notice Questions received ..	6
4.	Total No. of Sitzings at which Questions were not taken up ..	1
5.	Total No. of Members from whom notices were received ..	33
6.	Total No. of Starred Questions to which oral answers were given ..	127
7.	Largest No. of Questions orally answered on any one day (30.6.98) ..	17
8.	Least No. of Questions orally answered on any one day (29.6.98) ..	6
9.	Total No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions ..	30
10.	Total No. of Unstarred Questions replied to ..	44
11.	Total No. of Starred Questions postponed ..	29
12.	Largest No. of Questions addressed to any one Minister on any one day (30.6.98 Chief Minister) ..	8
13.	Largest No. of Questions orally answered by any one Minister on any one day (Chief Minister 30-6-98) ..	6

## 19. QUESTIONS

## STATEMENT

Type of Questions	No. of Notices received	No. of Questions admitted	No. of Questions disallowed/ referred back	No. of Questions postponed	No. of Questions not put	No. of Questions answered	No. of Starred Questions converted as Un- starred Questions on Prorogation	No. of Questions deemed to have been answered under Rule 38	No. of Questions with- drawn	No. of Supple- mentaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
STARRED	.. 360	280	80	28	49	127	30	23	—	**298
UNSTARRED	.. 64	49	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
SHORT NOTICE	.. 6	*4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

\*Four Questions given at short notice were admitted as ordinary Starred Questions.

\*\*Including 28 Supplementaries on the Postponed Questions taken up on 3.7.98 and 9.7.98

## 20. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS ANSWERED, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENTS	TOTAL
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
24.6.98	..	1	4	5	1	—	—	12
25.6.98 (M.S.)	..	6	1	4	—	—	3	14
25.6.98 (A.N.S.)	..	5	4	1	2	—	1	15
26.6.98 (M.S.)	..	3	2	2	1	—	2	10
26.6.98 (A.N.S.)	..	3	2	—	—	—	2	7
29.6.98	..	3	2	1	—	—	—	6
30.6.98	..	4	3	5	1	—	2	17
1.7.98	..	5	5	—	—	—	2	12
2.7.98	..	5	4	2	2	—	—	15
3.7.98	..	2	2	1	—	—	—	6
6.7.98	..	2	1	—	2	—	—	7
9.7.98	..	—	2	—	2	—	—	6



21. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN ANSWERED  
UNDER RULE 38, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENTS	TOTAL
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
24.6.98	1	—	2	2	1	—	—	6
3.7.98	6	2	3	2	1	—	—	14
9-7-98	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	3

## 22. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS.

Date	Chief Minister	Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister	Co-operation Minister	Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister	Agriculture Minister	Food and Supplies Minister
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
24.6.98	.. 6	1	—	—	1	—
25.6.98 (M.S.)	.. 6	2	1	—	1	1
25.6.98 (A.N.S.)	.. 6	2	—	—	2	—
26.6.98 (M.S.)	.. 6	1	—	3	2	1
26.6.98 (A.N.S.)	.. 3	1	—	—	1	—
29.6.98	.. 4	1	—	—	—	—
30.6.98	.. 8	1	—	—	—	—
1.7.98	.. 7	3	1	3	—	—
2.7.98	.. 7	1	—	—	—	—
3.7.98	.. 1	3	—	—	2	1
6.7.98	.. 7	—	—	2	—	—
9.7.98	.. 2	2	—	—	—	—

## IN THE NAMES OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS, DATE-WISE

Finance and Planning Minister	Housing and Urban Development Minister	Technical Education Minister	Rural Development and Panchayats Minister	Printing and Stationery Minister	P.W.D. (B&R) Minister	Tourism and Cultural Affairs Minister	Social Security and Development of Women and Children Minister
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1	1	—	1	—	1	—	1
—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—
—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	—	2	—	—	2	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	3	—	1
—	1	2	1	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
—	—	—	3	—	1	—	—
—	—	—	1	—	1	—	3
—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—
1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1

Date		Medical Education and Research Minister	Higher Education and Language Minister	Health and Family Welfare Minister	Forests Minister	Public Health Minister	Transport Minister
	1	16	17	18	19	20	21
24.6.98	..	—	1	1	1	1	1
25.6.98 (M.S.)	..	1	1	—	—	3	—
25.6.28 (A.N.S.)	..	—	—	—	1	2	1
26.6.98 (M.S.)	..	—	1	1	—	1	—
26.6.98 (A.N.S.)	..	2	1	2	—	2	1
29.6.98	..	—	—	1	—	4	2
30.6.98	..	1	2	—	—	1	—
1.7.98	..	—	—	1	—	1	—
2.7.98	..	1	—	—	1	—	1
3.7.98	..	1	1	—	2	—	—
6.7.98	..	—	2	4	—	—	1
9.7.98	..	—	2	—	—	—	—

Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development and Fisheries Minister	Public Relations Minister	Welfare of SCs & BCs Minister	Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister	Youth Services Minister	Minister of State for Jails	Minister of State for Elections.
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
—	—	10	1	—	—	—
—	—	1	—	—	—	—
—	—	1	1	1	—	—
—	—	—	4	—	—	—
—	—	—	*1	—	—	—
—	—	1	1	—	—	—
—	1	—	2	—	—	—
—	—	1	1	—	—	—
—	—	—	2	—	—	—
—	—	1	1	1	—	1
—	—	—	1	—	—	—
—	—	1	—	—	1	—

\* Replied by Medical Education & Research Minister

23. STATEMENT REGARDING STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED FROM SOME OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS WHICH WERE INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF POSTPONED STARRED QUESTIONS.

Date	Chief Minister	Finance Minister	P.W.D. (B & R) Minister	Social Security and Development of Women & Children Minister	Higher Education and Languages Minister	Health and Family Welfare Minister	Forests Minister	Transport Minister	Welfare of SCs & BCs Minister
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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3-7-98 : 5*	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
9-7-98 : 4	—	—	—	2	2	1	—	1	—

\*Reply to one Question was given by the Finance Minister.

**24. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE**

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENTS	TOTAL
24-6-98	..—	—	1	1	—	—	—	2
25-6-98 (M.S.)	..—	2	1	—	—	—	—	3
25-6-98 (A.N.S.)..	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	3
26-6-98 (M.S.)	..—	3	1	1	—	—	—	5
29-6-98	.. 2	—	—	1	—	—	1	4
30-6-98	..—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
1-7-98	.. 2	1	1	2	—	—	—	6
2-7-98	..—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
3-7-98	..—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6-7-98	.. 2	1	—	—	—	—	—	3
9-7-98	..—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

## 25. WALK-OUTS

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) Walking-out	Occasion
1.	24th June, 1998	Members of the I.N.C., C.P.I., and S.A.D. (Mann), present in the House	As a protest against not being allowed to speak by the Hon. Speaker under Rule 165.
2.	25th June, 1998	All Members of the I.N.C. except the Leader of Opposition, Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal.	As a protest against not allowing Chaudhri Jagjit Singh to raise the matter regarding Privilege Motion given notice of by Doctor Harbans Lal.
3.	26th June, 1998 (M.S.)	Members of the I.N.C. and C.P.I.	As a protest against not being satisfied by the reply of the Chief Minister regarding the status of Chandigarh.
4.	26th June, 1998 (M.S.)	All the Members of the Opposition Parties including Independents, present in the House.	As a protest against the suspension of Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra for that day.
5.	2nd July, 1998	Members of the I.N.C.	As a Protest against the Resolution not having been passed.



## 26. DHARNAS

Serial No.	Date	Member(s) sitting in Dharna	Occasion
1.	24th June, 1998	Members of the I.N.C., C.P.I. and S.A.D. (Mann)	As a protest against not allowing them to speak.
2.	26th June, 1998	Shri Shingara, Ram Sahungra, B.S.P.	As a protest against attack on him and the members of his family.

## 27. UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Sr. No.	Expression	Occasion	Date
1	2	3	4
1.	ਅਗਰ ਇਸ ਜੱਲ ਦਾ ਹਾਊਸ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ ਹੱਲ ਨਾ ਹੋਇਆ ਤਾਂ ਇਹ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਦੇ ਕਫਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਕਿੱਲ ਸਾਬਤ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ ।	When used with reference to the Government.	25th June, 1998 (M.S.)
2.	ਇਹ ਝੂਠ ਬੋਲ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ । ਇਹ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਆਦਤ ਹੈ ।	When used with reference to the Hon'ble Member.	25th June, 1998 (M.S.)
3.	ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦੇ ਲੋਕਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਕੋਰਾ ਝੂਠ ਇਸ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰੀ ਵਾਲੀ ਥਾਂ ਤੇ ਆ ਕੇ ਇਹ ਬੋਲਦੇ ਹਨ ।	When used with reference to the Government.	25th June, 1998 (A.S.)
4.	ਐਵੇਂ ਪਾਖੰਡ ਕਰੀ ਫਿਰਦੇ ਹਨ ।	When used with reference to a Political Party	26th June, 1998 (M.S.)
5.	ਸ੍ਰੀ ਸ਼ਿੰਗਾਰਾ ਰਾਮ ਸਹੂਗੜਾ ਗੜ੍ਹਸੰਕਰ ਨੇ ਜੋ ਦੱਸਿਆ ਹੈ ਝੂਠ ਦੱਸਿਆ, ਗਲਤ ਦੱਸਿਆ ।	When used with reference to an Hon'ble Member.	26th June, 1998 (M.S.)
6.	...ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਜ਼ਾਲਮਾਂ ਨੇ ਰਾਜ ਕੀਤਾ ਐਰ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਧੋਖਾ ਕੀਤਾ ।	When used with reference to a Political Party.	26th June, 1998 (A.S.)
7.	... ਦਿੱਲੀ ਦੀ ਸਰਕਾਰ, ਰਾਜੀਵ ਗਾਂਧੀ ਦੀ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਉਹ ਸਮਝੋਤਾ ਲਾਗੂ ਕਰਨ ਤੋਂ ਮੁਨਕਰ ਹੋ ਗਈ, ਬੇਈਮਾਨ ਹੋ ਗਈ ।..	When used with reference to a Political Party.	26th June, 1998 (A.S.)
8.	ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਕਰਛੂਤਾਂ ਮਾੜੀਆਂ ਰਹੀਆਂ ...	When used with reference to a Political Party.	26th June, 1998 (A.S.)

1	2	3	4
9.	ਇਹ ਝੂਠ ਬੋਲ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ ।	When used with reference to an Hon'ble Member.	1st July, 1998
10.	ਮੰਤਰੀ ਜੀ ਝੂਠ ਬੋਲ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ ।	When used with reference to an Hon'ble Minister.	3rd July, 1998
11.	ਜਿਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਇਹ ਗੱਲਾਂ ਅੱਜ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਨ, ਝੂਠੇ ਲਾਰੇ ਮਾਰਦੇ ਹਨ ।	When used with reference to the Government.	3rd July, 1998
12.	ਪੂਰ 30 ਸਾਲਾਂ ਤੱਕ ਇਹ ਝੂਠੇ ਹੰਝੂ ਵਹਾਉਂਦੇ ਰਹੇ ਔਰ ਲੋਕਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਲਾਰੇ ਲਾਉਂਦੇ ਰਹੇ ਝੂਠੇ ਵਾਇਦੇ ਕਰਦੇ ਰਹੇ ।	When used with reference to the Government.	3rd July, 1998
13.	ਇਹ ਮੁਲਾਜ਼ਮਾਂ ਕੋਲ ਝੂਠੇ ਨਾਹਰੇ ਲਾ ਕੇ ਇਸ ਪਾਸੇ ਆ ਬੈਠੇ ।	When used with reference to the Government.	3rd July, 1998

## 28. OBSERVATIONS MADE BY THE SPEAKER

1. Observation made by the Hon'ble Speaker on 24th June, 1998 regarding bringing of Mobile phone in the House.

On being pointed out by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, the Speaker observed that all the Hon'ble Members and the Members of Press should not bring Mobile phone in the House.

2. Observation made by the Speaker on 26-6-1998 (M.S.) regarding replies to Starred Questions not being received in time.

The Hon'ble Speaker brought an important issue into the notice of the House that replies to the questions were not being received in time. So much so that the replies to the questions to be taken up in the Afternoon Sitting to be held today, were being received till now and that the reply for the questions for the current (Morning Sitting) were being delivered till late at night. He expressed that the replies to the questions should be supplied at least two days in advance so that the Hon'ble Minister who is to give reply, should fully prepare himself and the Hon'ble Members who are to raise Supplementaries there to, should also prepare themselves to raise pertinent Supplementaries.

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## 29. SUSPENSION OF A MEMBER FROM THE SERVICE OF THE HOUSE

Sr. No.	Date	Name of Member who was suspended	Occasion
1	2	3	4
1.	26-6-1998	Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra.	For disrupting the proceedings of the House while raising the matter regarding attack on him and the members of his family. On a motion moved by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs and passed in the House by a voice vote, Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra was suspended from the service of the House till the rising of the day.

## APPENDIX

## 30. BULLETINS

[Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha held during its Budget (Fifth) Session, 1998]

BULLETIN No. 1

Monday, the 22nd June, 1998

(2.00 P.M. to 3.41 P.M.)

## 1. OATH BY A MEMBER

Shrimati Mohinder Kaur (Shiromani Akali Dal) declared elected in the Bye-election from 48-Sham Chaurasi (District Hoshiarpur) Assembly Constituency, took Oath in Punjabi.

## II. OBITUARY REFERENCES

Hon'ble Chief Minister made reference to the deaths of :—

1. Sardar Darbara Singh, Governor of Rajasthan and former Speaker of Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
2. Shri Bishamber Nath Pandey, Former Governor of Orissa.
3. Shri Bishamber Nath Makkar, Ex-Minister.
4. Sardar Teja Singh Dardi, EX-M.P.
5. Sardar Iqbal Singh Madhoke, Ex-M.L.A.
6. Sardar Sartaj Singh, Lieutenant General (Retd.)
7. Professor Harbans Singh, Renowned Scholar.
8. Shri Talat Mehmood, Renowned Singer.
9. Shri Sushil Bali, Renowned Correspondent.
10. Kabaddi Players who died in a road accident.

11. Indian Pilgrims who died in a stampede at Mecca.
12. Victims of Gujarat Cyclone.
13. Sardar Bhag Singh Zaid, Ex-Member of S.G.P.C.
14. Jathedar Kuldip Singh Bhatia. Ex-Member of Shiromani Akali Dal.

While eulogising the contributions made by them in their respective fields, he expressed deep anguish and grief on the demise of the said personalities. While paying tributes, he also made reference to the biggest tragedy at Doda (Jammu & Kashmir). While making reference to the tragic massacre, he said that our real tribute is that all of us should strongly protest against the persons responsible for the ghastly act.

He also urged that message of condolence may be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased, and that the House may be adjourned without transacting any other business today.

While doing so, he spoke for 23 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Hon'ble Members, while paying their tributes to the departed souls, spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (I.N.C.)	21 minutes
2.	Hon'ble Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment (Shri Balramji Dass Tandon)	09 minutes
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (C.P.I.)	20 minutes
4.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (S.A.D. Mann)	14 minutes
5.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	10 minutes

The Hon'ble Speaker, while associating himself with the sentiments expressed by the Hon. Members, paid his tributes to the departed souls.

Thereafter, the Hon'ble Members stood in silence for two minutes for the peace of the departed souls.

The House, then adjourned till 11.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 24th June, 1998, without transacting any other business.

## BULLETIN NO. 2

Wednesday, the 24th June, 1998

(11.00 A.M. to 1.49 P.M.)

### 1. QUESTIONS

(a) Starred:

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplement- aries
20	12	—	2	31

The remaining Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*). These include Question No. 1049 given notice of by the Hon'ble Member Shri Rakesh Pandey, which was not put by him at the time he was called to do so.

(b) Unstarred : 8

### II. FIRST REPORT OF BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Hon'ble Speaker presented the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee before the House regarding the Programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from the 24th June, 1998 to 3rd July, 1998.

The following motion was moved by the Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs :—



"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

The following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion on the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee :—

1. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar (Indian National Congress) 2 minutes
2. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist party of India) 3 minutes.

Hon'ble Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 2 minutes.

The motion was put before the House and carried.

### III. WALK OUT :

Despite the fact that the Hon'ble Speaker drew their attention towards rule 165 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*), all the Hon. Members of the Indian National Congress, Communist Party of India and Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann), present in the House, stood at their seats and demanded time to speak, and while raising slogans which were not recorded as per orders of the Hon'ble Speaker—they came in the Well of the House and squatted there. Thereafter, all the Hon'ble Members staged a walk-out as a protest.

### IV. BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99:

The Hon'ble Finance Minister presented the Budget Estimates for the year 1998-99. While presenting the Budget Estimates he read out his Budget Speech for 1 hour and 34 minutes.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 25th June, 1998.

### BULLETIN NO. 3

Thursday, the 25th June, 1998

(Morning Sitting)

(9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

### I. OBITUARY REFERENCES

Hon'ble Chief Minister made reference to the deaths of :—

1. Babu Ajit Kumar, Ex-MLA.

## 2. Victims of Bus Accident near Kulr.

He expressed his deep anguish. While paying his tributes to the deceased persons, he prayed to the Almighty God to grant peace to the departed souls at His Lotus Feet. He urged that condolence message may be passed by the entire House and conveyed to the bereaved families. (While doing so, he spoke for 04 minutes).

Thereafter, the following Hon'ble Members, while paying their tributes to the departed souls, spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bnattal ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	2 minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi ( <i>Communist Party of India</i> )	1 minute

The Hon'ble Speaker, while associating himself with the sentiments expressed by the Hon'ble Members, paid his tributes to the departed souls. He assured that messages of condolence will be conveyed to the bereaved families as desired by the House.

Thereafter, the Hon'ble Members stood in silence for peace to the departed souls.

## II. QUESTIONS

(a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	14	3	3	27

The Supplementary Questions pertaining to Starred Question No. 1107 were postponed till the 26th June, 1998 (Morning Sitting).

(b) Unstarred : 4

### III. ANNOUNCEMENT BY HON'BLE SPEAKER

The following Members were nominated by the Hon'ble Speaker under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*), to serve on the Panel of Chairmen :—

1. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam
2. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi
3. Shri Sat Pal Gosain
4. Sardar Amarjit Singh Samra

### IV. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY

The Secretary made the following Announcement :—

"I place on the Table of the House a Statement showing the Bills passed by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Fourth Session, and which have since been assented by the Governor."

### V. REGARDING DISCUSSION HELD AT THE TIME OF PRESENTATION OF THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs condemned whatever was done by the Hon'ble Members of the Opposition and whatever discussion was held while the Hon'ble Finance Minister presented the Budget Estimates for the year 1998-99. The Hon'ble Speaker concluded the matter by stating that whatever had transpired the previous day, was against the traditions and that it should not be repeated in future.

### VI. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES

1. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 1) by the Hon'ble Member Chaudhary Mohan Lal Behram regarding discontentment amongst the candidates because of marking the answer sheets (O. M. R. Sheet) with pencil in the PCS as well as other competitive examination, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister made a statement in this behalf.

2. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 3) by the Hon'ble Member Shri Satya Pal Saini regarding shortage of drinking water in the villages of Kandi area of Dhar Block in District Gurdaspur, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Minister for Public Health and Civil Aviation made a statement in this behalf.

3. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 6) by the Hon'ble Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi regarding resentment amongst the 1500 Teachers in the State whose future has been darkened due to declaration of the Act passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha as void by the Punjab & Haryana High Court, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education made a statement in this behalf.

#### **VII. PAPERS RE-LAID/LAID ON THE TABLE**

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs :—

1. Laid on the Table the Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 1998), as required under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution of India.
2. Re-Laid on the Table the Punjab State Legal Services Authorities Rules, 1996 as required under sub-section (2) of Section 30 of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.
3. Re-Laid on the Table the Punjab Payment of Allowances and Fees to the Chairmen, Vice-Chairmen and Members of the Panchayat Samities and Zila Parishads Rules, 1996, as required under sub-section (3) of Section 227 of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994.
4. Laid on the Table the Punjab Panchayat Election (First Amendment) Rules, 1998, as required under sub-section (3) of section 227 of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994.
5. Laid on the table—

(i) the High Court Legal Services Committee Regulations, 1998; and

(ii) Punjab Legal Services Authority (Transaction of Business and other Provisions/Regulations, 1998,

as required under section 30 (2) of the Legal Services Authority Act, 1987.

6. Laid on the Table the 26th Annual Report of the Punjab Land Development & Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the year 1990-91, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956,
7. Laid on the Table the Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Report of Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd., for the year 1996-97.
8. Laid on the table the Annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1995-96 as required under section 75 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
9. Laid on the Table the Annual Administration Report of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the year 1993-94 and 1994-95 and Balance Sheet of the said Corporation for the year 1993-94 as required under section 27(6) and 27(5) respectively of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1970.
10. Laid on the Table the Annual Administration Report of the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board for the year 1996-97, as required under Section 42(2) of the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board Act, 1976.
11. Laid on the Table the Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts of the Goindwal Industrial & Investment Corporation of Punjab Ltd., for the year 1995-96 and 1996-97.
12. Laid on the Table the Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts of Punjab Small Industries & Export Corporation Ltd., for the years 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97.

13. Laid on the Table the Annual Report-Cum-Balance Sheet of Punjab Energy Development Agency for the year 1995-96.
14. Laid on the Table the 31st Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Agro Industries Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
15. Laid on the Table the Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1996-97 as required under section 69 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
16. Laid on the Table the 21st Annual Report of the Punjab State Electronics Development & Production Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act 1956.
17. Laid on the Table the 13th Annual Report & Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1991-92, alongwith Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Reports of the said Corporation from the Years 1991-92 to 1996-97, as required under section 619-A of the Companies, Act, 1956.
18. Laid on the Table the 15th Annual Report of the Goindwal Industrial & Investment Corporation of Punjab Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

### VIII. RESOLUTIONS

1. The Resolution given notice of by the Hon'ble Member Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora (Indian National Congress) that:

"This House recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to set up a State Administrative Tribunal in order to expedite the service cases of the State Government Employees"

could not be moved as the Hon'ble Member was not present in the House.

2. The Hon'ble Member Shirmati Laxmi Kanta Chowla (Bhartya Janta Party) moved the following Resolution:

"This House recommends to the State Government to enact legislation for protection of those persons from undue harassment who render timely help to the victims of road accidents by bringing them to hospitals for providing them immediate medical aid."

While moving the Resolution, the Hon'ble Member spoke for 21 minutes. By way of reply to the discussion generated by the Resolution, she spoke for 07 minutes.

The following Hon'ble Members participated in the discussion on the Resolution and spoke for the time indicated against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta ( <i>Communist Party of India</i> )	09 minutes
2.	Shri Tikshan Sood ( <i>Bhartya Janta Party</i> )	14 minutes
3.	Sardar Gulzar Singh Ranjke ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	09 minutes
4.	Hon'ble Minister of State for Youth Services, Removal of Grievances and Pensions and Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes ( <i>Sardar Gobind Singh Kanjla</i> )	09 minutes
5.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal-Mann</i> )	06 minutes
6.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney ( <i>Bhartya Janta Party</i> )	11 minutes
7.	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	10 minutes
8.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	11 minutes
9.	Hon'ble Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education ( <i>Sardar Tota Singh</i> )	14 minutes
10.	Shri Satya Pal Saini ( <i>Bhartya Janta Party</i> )	07 minutes
11.	Sardar Makhan Singh ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	07 minutes
12.	Hon'ble Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs ( <i>Shri Madan Mohan Mittal</i> )	06 minutes
13.	Hon'ble Minister for Printing and Stationery and Housing and Urban Development ( <i>Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli</i> )	06 minutes



The Hon'ble Minister was still on his legs, when the House adjourned.

(The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.04 A.M. to 1.18 P.M.)

The House then adjourned till 2.30 P.M. on Thursday, the 25th, June, 1998.

#### BULLETIN NO. 4

Thursday, the 25th June, 1998

(AFTERNOON SITTING)

(2.30 P.M. to 6.26 P.M.)

#### 1. Questions :

(a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	15	2	3	33

(b) Unstarred :3

#### II. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES:

1. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 8) by the Hon. Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi regarding trespassing by anti-social elements in the Nursing Hostel of the Government Rajindra Hospital and Medical College, Patiala on the night of the 10th June, 1998, resulting in vacation of Hostel by two hundred girls out of fear, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Minister for Medical Education and Research made a Statement in this behalf.

2. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 9) by the Hon. Members Chaudhari Jagjit Singh and Shri Harminder Singh Jassi regarding discontentment amongst the Local Printers due to the contract awarded by the Government to two Delhi firms for printing of ballot papers for the Panchayat Poll in the State, was admitted.



The Hon'ble Minister of State for Printing and Stationery and Housing made a Statement in this behalf.

3. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 13) by the Hon. Member Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding acute shortage of drinking water in many areas of Amritsar city especially in the 'walled city' during these terrible hot days of Summer, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment made a statement in this behalf.

### III. WALK-OUT

Hon. Member Chaudhari Jagjit Singh wanted to raise the matter in connection with the Privilege Motion given notice of by the Hon'ble Member Doctor Harbans Lal, whereupon the Hon'ble Speaker intimated that he had received the motion today only and that he had referred it to the Government. Not feeling satisfied with this, all the Hon'ble Members of the Indian National Congress present in the House-except the Leader of the Opposition, Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattalstaged a walk-out from the House.

### IV. BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

#### GENERAL DISCUSSION ON THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

The following Hon'ble Members participated in the discussion and spoke for the time indicated against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal	( <i>Indian National Congress</i> ) 38 minutes
2.	Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal	( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> ) 31 minutes
3.	Sardar Makhan Singh	( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> ) 21 minutes
4.	Shri Ram Lal	( <i>Bhartiya Janta Party</i> ) 25 minutes

1	2	3
5.	Sardar Sukhvinder Singh Aulakh	(Shiromani Akali Dal) 12 minutes
6.	Sardar Sital Singh	(Shiromani Akali Dal) 06 minutes
7.	Sardar Sher Singh	(Shiromani Akali Dal) 18 minutes

The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker informed the House that the time of the House was up to 7.00 P.M. and that if any Hon. Member desired to speak, he could do so. But in spite of his repeating thus, no Hon. Member rose to speak and therefore he adjourned the House.

*The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 5.04 P.M. to 5.34 P.M.*

*A Member of the Panel of Chairmen, Shri Sat Pal Gosain occupied the Chair from 5.34 P.M. to 5.57 P.M.*

*The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 5.57 P.M. onwards.*

*The House then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Friday, the 26th June, 1998.*

#### BULLETIN NO. 5

Friday, the 26th June, 1998

(MORNING SITTING)

(9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

#### I. QUESTIONS:

First of all, as per the decision taken on the 25th June, 1998 (Morning Sitting), one Supplementary was raised on Starred Question No. 1107. Thereafter, as per the List of Business, the regular List of Starred Questions was taken up.

(a) Starred:

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	10	5	5	20

The Supplementaries on Starred Question No. 1051 were postponed for the sitting to be held on the 29th June, 1998.

(b) Unstarred: None.

## II. OBSERVATION BY THE HON. SPEAKER

The Hon. Speaker brought an important issue into the notice of the House that replies to the questions were not being received in time. So much so that the replies to the questions to be taken up in the Afternoon Sitting to be held today, were being received till now and that the reply for the question for the current (Morning Sitting) were being delivered till late at night. He expressed that the replies to the questions should be supplied at least two days in advance so that the Hon. Minister who is to give reply should fully prepare himself and the Hon. Members who are to raise Supplementaries thereto, should also prepare themselves to raise pertinent Supplementaries.

## III. WALK-OUT

Consequent upon their not feeling satisfied by the reply of the Hon. Chief Minister on the point regarding the status of Chandigarh etc., raised by the Hon. Members Chaudhari Jagjit Singh and Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, all the Hon. Members of the Congress Party and the Communist Party present in the House, first came into the Well of the House and later, staged a walk-out from the House.

## IV. MOTION UNDER RULE 97

The Hon. Member, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, while raising the matter regarding the attack on him and members of his family, came into the Well of the House and squatted there and started interrupting the proceedings. Repeated requests by the Hon. Speaker to resume his seat, had little effect on him. As the behaviour on the part of the Hon. Member was indicative of his intention to disrupt the proceedings, the Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved a motion under Rule 97 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*) for suspending the Hon. Member. Thereupon, the Hon. Speaker, after taking consensus of the House, suspended the Hon. Member Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra for that day and directed the Marshal to carry out the orders. At this, all the Hon'ble Members of the Opposition Party, along with the

Hon. Independent Members present in the House declaring that they were boycotting the proceedings, staged a walk-out from the House while raising slogans which were not recorded as per orders of the Hon. Speaker.

The Hon. Chief Minister, while expressing his displeasure and deep grief due to such behaviour on the part of the Opposition Parties, stated that all of us should maintain the decorum of this august House. He urged upon the Hon. Speaker that we should all endeavour to improve the atmosphere which has been created in the House. He suggested that he (Hon. Speaker) may invite the Opposition Parties and the Ruling Party to his Chamber in order to thrash out the issue.

#### V. CALL ATTENTION NOTICE

The Calling Attention Notice (No. 15) by the Hon. Member Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding frequent power-cuts in District Amritsar during these very hot days of summer resulting in disruption of water supply and business activity was admitted.

The Honourable Chief Minister made a statement in this behalf.

#### VI. ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE

In accordance with the suggestion mooted by the Hon. Chief Minister, the House was adjourned at 10.21 A.M. till 11.00 A.M.

When the House re-assembled at 11.00 A.M., it was again adjourned by the Hon. Speaker till 11.30 A.M.

The House re-assembled at 11.30 A.M.

#### VII. BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

##### RESUMPTION OF GENERAL DISCUSSION ON THE

##### BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

The following Hon. Members participated in the discussion and spoke for the time indicated against each: —

Sr. Name of the Hon. Member		Time
1	2	3
1.	Sardar Gulzar Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	28 minutes

1	2	3
2. Shri Satya Pal Saini	(Bhartiya Janta Party)	16 minutes
3. Sardar Sujan Singh	(Shiromani Akali Dal)	06 minutes
4. Shri Tikshan Sood	(Bhartiya Janta Party)	31 minutes
5. Sardar Balwant Singh	(Shiromani Akali Dal)	21 minutes
6. Shri Jagdish Sawhney	(Bhartiya Janta Party)	18 minutes

Hon. Member Shri Jagdish Sawhney was still on his legs when the House adjourned. He would continue his speech in the Afternoon Sitting at 2.30 P.M. on the 26th June, 1998.

(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.43 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.)

The House then adjourned till 2.30 P.M. on Friday, the 26th June, 1998.

**BULLETIN NO. 6**  
**Friday, the 26th June, 1998**  
**(AFTERNOON SITTING)**  
**(2.30 P.M. to 4.44 P.M.)**

**I. QUESTIONS :**

(a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	7	13	—	16

(b) Unstarred : None

**II. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE**

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table 'The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1998)' as required under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution of India.

**III. BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99**

**RESUMPTION OF GENERAL DISCUSSION ON THE BUDGET**

**ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99**

Resuming his speech on the Budget Estimates for the year 1998-99 the Hon. Member Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bhartiya Janta

Party), who was on his legs on the 26th June, 1998 (Morning Sitting) when the House adjourned, spoke for 17 minutes.

Besides him, the following Hon. Members participated in the General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1998-99 and spoke for the time indicated against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Sardar Sohan Singh Thandal ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	18 minutes
2.	Sardar Natha Singh Dalam ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	21 minutes

While replying to the discussion, the Hon. Minister for Finance spoke for 51 minutes.

(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 2.59 P.M. to 3.25 P.M. and from 4.06 P.M. to 4.44 P.M.)

*The House then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Monday, the 29th June, 1998.*

### SPECIAL BULLETIN NO. 1

#### GENERAL DISCUSSION ON THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99

General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the Year 1998-99 was held on two days i.e., 5th June 1998 (Afternoon Sitting), 26th June 1998 (Morning Sitting) & 26th June 1998 (Afternoon Sitting) lasting for 6 hours and 18 minutes.

The details regarding the time taken by the various Parties/Groups is enumerated below :—

Sr. No.	Party/Group	Number of Members who participated in the Discussion	Time taken Hrs. Mts.
1.	*Treasury Benches	15	5: 40
2.	Indian National Congress	01	0: 38

**Note:** The time taken by the Treasury Benches also includes the time taken by the Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning, who spoke for 51 minutes.

\*Treasury Benches include Members of Shiromani Akali Dal and Bhartiya Janta Party.

## BULLETIN NO. 7

Monday, the 29th June, 1998

(2.00 P.M. to 3.10 P.M.)

## I. OBITUARY REFERENCES

Hon. Chief Minister made reference to the deaths of :—

1. Master Nanhu Ram, Ex-M.L.A.
2. Shri Nikhil Chakravarty, Chairman, Prasar Bharti Board, New Delhi.

While expressing deep sorrow and grief, he paid his tribute to the departed souls. He also urged that messages of condolence may be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased.

While doing so, he spoke for three minutes.

Thereafter the Hon. Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment (Shri Balramji Dass Tandon) while paying his tributes to the departed souls, spoke for two minutes.

The Hon. Speaker, while associating himself with the sentiments expressed on the demise of the said personalities, paid his tributes to the departed souls. He also assured the House that as desired by the House messages of condolence will be sent to the bereaved families.

Thereafter, the Hon. Members stood in silence for two minutes for the peace of the departed souls.

## I-A. QUESTIONS

First of all, as per decision taken on the 26th June, 1998 (Morning Sitting), the Hon. Speaker stated that Supplementaries to Starred Question No. 1051 may be asked. As the Hon. Member concerned (Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi) was not present in the House, no Supplementary pertaining to this Question could be asked. Thereafter, as per the list of Business, the regular List of Starred Questions was taken up.

(a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	6	10	4	16



(b) Unstarred: 5

## **II. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES**

1. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 17) by the Hon Member Sardar Adesh Partap Singh Kairon towards difficulty being faced by farmers of Border villages in the absence of Crop Insurance Scheme as their crops are damaged due to not only natural calamities but also due to man-made calamities, was admitted.

The Hon. Agriculture Minister made a statement in this behalf.

2. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 21) by the Hon. Members Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta and Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi regarding non-adjustment of workers of closed down Co-operative Spinning Mills despite an agreement having been entered into in this behalf, could not be moved as the Hon. Members were not present in the House.

3. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 26) by the Hon. Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar regarding unsatisfactory desilting of drains in Mansa District whereas rainy season is fast approaching, could not be moved as the Hon. Members were not present in the House.

## **III. DISCUSSION AND VOTING ON DEMANDS FOR GRANTS**

### **RELATING TO THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR**

**1998-99**

The Hon. Speaker sought consent of the House with regard to all the four Demands, i. e. Demand No. 15, 12, 23 & 5 deemed to have been read and <sup>moved</sup> ~~put~~, which was given. It was also decided that all the Demands may be discussed together, and that the Hon. Members shall indicate the Demand Number on which they wish to speak.

Demand No. 15 pertaining to Irrigation and Power, Demand No. 12 pertaining to Home Affairs and Justice, Demand No. 23 pertaining to Rural Development and Panchyats and Demand No. 5 pertaining to Education were discussed together. The following Hon'ble Members participated in the discussion and spoke for the time indicated against each :—



Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla ( <i>Bhartiya Janta Party</i> )	18 minutes
2.	Sardar Adesh Partap Singh Kairon ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	07 minutes

Demand No. 15 pertaining to Irrigation and Power, Demand No. 12 pertaining to Home Affairs and Justice, Demand No. 23 pertaining to Rural Development and Panchayats and Demand No. 5 pertaining to Education were, with the consent of the house, put together to the vote of the House and passed unanimously.

*The House then adjourned till 9. 00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 30th June. 1998.*

### **BULLETIN NO. 8**

**Tuesday, the 30th June, 1998**

**(9.00 A.M. to 12.36 P.M.)**

#### **I. QUESTIONS :**

(a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	17	1	2	29

(b) Unstarred : 4.

#### **II. DISCUSSION AND VOTING ON DEMANDS FOR GRANTS RELATING TO THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1998-99**

The Hon. Speaker sought consent of the House with regard to all the 26 Demands, specified in the List of Business, deemed to have been read and <sup>moved</sup> put, which was accorded by the House. It was also decided that the Hon. Members shall indicate the Demand Number on which they wish to speak.

As no discussion was forthcoming on the Demands specified in the List of Business, these 26 Demands, viz Demands No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30, were, with the consent of the House, put together to the note of the House and carried.

### III. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

#### The Punjab Appropriation (No.2) Bill, 1998 :

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No.2) Bill, 1998. He also moved that :

"The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1998, be taken into consideration at once."

The following Hon. Members while participating in the discussion spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	30 Minutes
2.	Chaudari Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	36 Minutes
3.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (India National Congress)	25 Minutes
4.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal-Mann)	04 Minutes

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning, by way of reply spoke for 39 minutes.

Then the Bill was considered clause-by-clause.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Schedule

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 1

Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried. The Minister for Finance and Planning moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

IV. POINTS OF ORDER

Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members were declared as 'No Point of Order' :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	No. of Points of order declared as 'No Point of Order'
1.	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala (Shiromani Akali Dal)	1
2.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bhartiya Janta Party)	3
3.	Shri Tikshan Sood (Bhartiya Janta Party)	1
4.	Hon. Minister for Forests, Law and Legislative Affairs and Welfare of Freedom Fighters (Master Mohan Lal)	1
5.	Hon. Minister for Medical Education and Research (Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh)	1
6.	Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (Indian National Congress)	1
7.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	2

(A Member of the Panel of Chairmen, Sardar Natha Singh Dalam occupied the Chair from 10.49 A.M. to 11.39 A.M.)

The House then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 1st July, 1998.

### BULLETIN NO. 9

Wednesday, the 1st July, 1998

(9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

#### I. QUESTIONS:

(a) Starred Questions:

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Total No. of Questions on the Order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	12	2	6	26

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Supplementaries on Starred Question No. 1198 were postponed for the sitting to be held on the 2nd July, 1998.

(b) Unstarred Questions: 5

#### II. QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE

The Hon. Speaker had intimated the House on the 25th June, 1998 (Afternoon Sitting) that he had referred the matter regarding misbehaviour or use of harshness on the part of Shri Gurdev Singh, D.S.P. and Shri Gurchain Singh, S.H.O., Mandi Gobindgarh against Hon. Member Doctor Harbans Lal (*Indian National Congress*) to the Government for its comments. He had also stated that he would give his ruling in this behalf later on.

On receipt of a report from the Government on the issue, he informed the House today that as per the report, Hon. Member Doctor Harbans Lal had been accorded due regard and respect as a sitting Member of Vidhan Sabha. Minimum force—that too was of mild nature—had been used by the Police against the mob gathered there, and that no misbehaviour or harshness was meted out to the Hon. Member. Since no breach of privilege was

involved in the matter, therefore he did not give his consent to the Question of Privilege being raised.

### III. SECOND REPORT OF BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Hon. Speaker presented the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee before the House regarding the programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from the 1st July, 1998 to 8th July, 1998.

The following motion was moved by the Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs :—

“That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee”

The motion was put before the House and carried unanimously.

### IV. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE—

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs :

1. Laid on the Table “The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Board Ordinance, 1998 (Ordinance No. 5 of 1998),” as required under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution of India.

2. Laid on the Table :—

- (i) Finance Accounts for the year 1996-97, Government of Punjab.
- (ii) Appropriation Accounts for the year 1996-97, Government of Punjab; and
- (iii) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1996-97 (Civil)

as required under Clause (2) of Article 151 of the Constitution of India.

### V. DISCUSSION ON GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS—

Hon. Member Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala (*Shiromani Akali Dal*) while moving the motion that an Address be presented to

the Governor in the following terms :—

“That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he was pleased to deliver to the House on the 24th March, 1998,”

spoke for 40 minutes.

Hon. Member Shri Tikshan Sood (*Bhartiya Janta Party*) seconded the above motion and spoke for 48 minutes.

The following Hon. Members took part in the discussion on the Governor's Address and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Shri Satya Pal Saini ( <i>Bhartiya Janta Party</i> )	25 minutes
2.	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta ( <i>Communist Party of India</i> )	32 Minutes
3.	Sardar Manmohan Singh ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	24 Minutes
4.	Sardar Bachan Singh Cheema ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	22 Minutes
5.	Shrimati Mohinder Kaur ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	12 Minutes
6.	Shri Ram Lal ( <i>Bhartiya Janta Party</i> )	07 Minutes

#### VI. POINTS OF ORDER

Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Hon. Members were declared as 'No Point of Order' :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Number of Points of Order declared as 'No Point of Order'
1.	Hon. Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education (Sardar Tota Singh)	1
2.	Sardar Sital Singh ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	1

*(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.16 A.M. to 12.43 P.M.)*

*(A Member of the Panel of Chairmen Shri Sat Pal Gosain occupied the Chair from 12.43 P.M. to 12.48 P.M.)*

*(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 12.48 P.M. to 1.17 P.M.)*

The House, then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 2nd July, 1998.

### BULLETIN NO. 10

Thursday, the 2nd July, 1998

(9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

#### I. QUESTIONS:

First of all, as per the decision taken on the 1st July, 1998, Hon. Speaker asked for Supplementaries to be put in respect of Starred Question No. 1198. But despite the fact that the Hon. Member concerned was present in the House, no Supplementary was put.

(a) Starred Questions:

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
17	15	1	1	30

(b) Unstarred Questions: 4

#### II. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES:

1. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 38) by the Hon. Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta regarding discontentment prevalent amongst the poor sections of the society due to non-supply of essential eatable commodities at the Ration Depots resulting in steep rise in the prices of the said commodities, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.

2. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 39) by the Hon. Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta regarding discontentment amongst the Pharmacists due to the ban imposed by the Government on treatment of animals and cattle by them, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development and Fisheries made a statement in this behalf.

### III. OBSERVATION BY THE HON. SPEAKER

The Hon. Speaker observed that during the previous Session, as per the demand raised by the Hon. Members, the Hon. Chief Minister had been pleased to assure the House that it would be their endeavour to transact the business of the House in Punjabi to the maximum extent. During this Session also demand is being raised by the Hon. Members as well as people from other quarters that as far as possible, business should be conducted in Punjabi. Therefore, the Hon. Speaker observed that keeping in view the sentiments of the Honourable Members and people of Punjab, and the assurance given by the Hon. Chief Minister during the previous Session, maximum work should be conducted in Punjabi itself, and that the Hon. Ministers should also endeavour to give their replies in Punjabi only.

### IV. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table the 38th to 42nd Annual Reports of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the years 1990-91 to 1994-95 as required under Section 38(3) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.

### V. RESOLUTIONS

1. The following Resolution given notice of by the Hon. Member Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora (*Indian National Congress*) that—

“This House recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to set up a State Administrative Tribunal in order to expedite the service cases of the State Government employees”,



could not be moved as the Hon. Member was not present in the House.

2. Hon. Member Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (*Indian National Congress*) moved the following Resolution :

“This House recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to set up a State Administrative Tribunal in order to expedite the service cases of the State Government employees”,

and while doing so, he spoke for eight minutes.

The following Hon. Members participated in the discussion on the Resolution and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Hon. Minister for Medical Education and Research and Science, Technology and Environment (Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh)	28 Minutes
2.	Shri Tikshan Sood ( <i>Bharatiya Janata Party</i> )	16 Minutes
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi ( <i>Communist Party of India</i> )	09 Minutes
4.	Hon. Minister for Higher Secondary & Primary Education (Sardar Tota Singh)	01 Minute
5.	Hon. Minister of State for Food and Supplies (Shri Chiranji Lal Garg)	25 Minutes
6.	Shri Satya Pal Saini ( <i>Bhartiya Janata Party</i> )	12 Minutes
7.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal-Mann</i> )	03 Minutes
8.	Hon. Minister of State for Youth Services and Removal of Grievances and Pensions (Sardar Gobind Singh Kanjla)	12 Minutes

1	2	3
9.	Sardar Sujan Singh ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	03 Minutes
10.	Chaudhri Jagjit Singh ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	22 Minutes
11.	Hon. Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Madan Mohan Mittal)	42 Minutes

The Honourable Minister was still on his legs when the House adjourned.

#### VI. WALK-OUT

The House was about to be adjourned, when all the Hon. Members of Indian National Congress, present in the House, staged a Walk-out from the House as a protest against the Resolution not having been passed.

#### VII. POINTS OF ORDER

Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Hon. Members were declared as 'No Points of Order' :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Number of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order'
1.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney ( <i>Bharatiya Janata Party</i> )	2
2.	Shri Harminder Singh Jassi ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	3
3.	Shri Ram Lal ( <i>Bharatiya Janata Party</i> )	1
4.	Hon. Minister of State for Food & Supplies (Shri Chiranji Lal Garg)	1
5.	Hon. Minister for Agriculture (Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal)	2
6.	Chaudhri Jagjit Singh ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	1

(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.32 A.M. to 11.51 A.M.)

(A Member of the Panel of Chairmen, Shri Sat Pal Gosain, occupied the Chair from 11.51 A.M. to 11.56 A.M.)

(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.56 A.M. to 1.11 P.M.)

The House, then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Friday, the 3rd July, 1998.

### BULLETIN NO. 11

Friday, the 3rd July, 1998

(9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

#### 1. QUESTIONS :

##### (a) Postponed Starred Questions .

First of all the list of Postponed Starred Questions was taken up.

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
13	8	—	5	18

Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

##### (b) Starred Questions :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	6	—	—	16

The remaining Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly).

(c) Unstarred Questions :

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**II. CALL ATTENTION NOTICE :**

1. The Calling Attention (Notice No. 41) by the Hon. Members Sardar Balbir Singh Miani and Captain Balbir Singh Bath regarding danger to many villages of Tanda Block and newly constructed Bridge over Beas River due to severe erosion of Dhusi Bandh near village Rarah towards Hargobindpur and Hoshiarpur, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Public Works (Buildings and Roads) made a statement in this behalf.

**III. RESUMPTION OF DISCUSSION ON GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS:**

Further discussion of the following motion moved by Honorable Member Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala on the 1st July, 1998 and seconded by the Honourable Member Shri Tikshan Sood:

"that an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :—

"That the Members of this House assembled in this session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he was pleased to deliver to the House on the 24th March, 1998."

The following Hon. Members took part in the Discussion on the Governor's Address and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Shrimati Rajinder Kaur Bhattal	(Indian National Congress) 52 Minutes
2.	Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal	(Shiromani Akali Dal) 27 Minutes

1	2	3
3.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney	(Bharatiya Janata Party) 15 Minutes
4.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi	Communist Party of India) 41 Minutes
5.	Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla	(Bharatiya Janata Party) 18 Minutes
6.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	(Shiromani Akali Dal Mann) 21 Minutes
7.	Sardar Gulzar Singh Ranike	(Shiromani Akali Dal) 18 Minutes
8.	Captain Balbir Singh Bath	(Shiromani Akali Dal) 11 Minutes
9.	Sardar Tara Singh Ladai	(Shiromani Akali Dal) 01 Minute

Hon. Member Sardar Tara Singh Ladai was still on his legs when the House adjourned. He would continue his speech on the 6th July, 1998.

#### IV. POINTS OF ORDER:

The Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Hon. Members were declared as 'No Points of Order' :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Number of Points of Order declared as 'No. Points of Order'
1	2	3
1.	Hon. Minister for Forests, Legal & Legislative Affairs (Master Mohan Lal)	1
2.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar (Indian National Congress)	2
3.	Hon. Minister of State for Youth Services, Removal of Grievances and Pensions (Sardar Gobind Singh Kanjla)	1
4.	Hon. Minister for Housing and Urban Development (Sardar Sarup Singh)	1

1	2	3
5.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney	(Bharatiya Janata Party) 1

(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.47 A.M. to 1.21 P.M.)

The House then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Monday, the 6th July, 1998.

### BULLETIN NO. 12

Monday, the 6th July 1998

(10.00 A.M. to 3.31 P.M.)

#### I. QUESTIONS ;

##### (a) Starred Questions

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	7	10	3	12

Starred Question No. 1238 could not be put as the Hon. Member Shri Sat Pal Gosain was not present in the House. Moreover, as regards this Question, the Hon. Speaker informed the House that at the time of receipt of the notice of the Question, it was not known that the matter was *sub-judice*, and therefore, it would not be possible to discuss the matter in the House.

##### (b) Unstarred Questions : 7

#### II. CALL ATTENTION NOTICE

1. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 43) by the Hon. Member Sardar Sher Singh Jalalabad regarding discontentment amongst the people of District Ferozepur due to acute shortage of kerosene was admitted.

The Honourable Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.

### III. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

The Honourable Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs—

1. Laid on the Table the 14th Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd., for the year 1987, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
2. Laid on the Table the Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Small Industries and Export Corporation Ltd. for the year 1994-95, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

### IV. REGARDING TAKING UP OF THE LIST OF BUSINESS MARKED FOR 8TH JULY, 1998 ON THE 9TH JULY, 1998

The Honourable Speaker informed the House that the Business Advisory Committee had decided that Legislative Business should be transacted on the 8th July, 1998 but as the Central Government has since declared 8th July, 1998 as a Gazetted Holiday, if it is the pleasure of the House, the Business proposed to be transacted on the 8th July, 1998 may now be transacted on the 9th July, 1998. The House gave its consent for the same and the Hon. Speaker intimated that the Business scheduled to be transacted on the 8th July, 1998 would now be transacted on the 9th July, 1998.

### V. RESUMPTION OF DISCUSSION ON GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

The Notice of Amendment to the following motion moved by Honourable Member Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala on the 1st July, 1998 and seconded by the Honourable Member Shri Tikshan Sood:

“that an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :—

“That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the

Address which he was pleased to deliver to the House on the 24th March, 1998”

given by Honourable Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta was deemed to have been read and moved.

Discussion on the Governor's Address was resumed.

Honourable Member Sardar Tara Singh Ladal of the Shiromani Akali Dal, who was speaking on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address on the 3rd July, 1998, when the House adjourned resumed his speech, and spoke for 22 minutes.

The following Hon. Members took part in the Discussion on the Governor's Address and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Hon. Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education (Sardar Tota Singh)	22 Minutes
2.	Shri Arunesh Kumar (Bharatiya Janata Party)	13 Minutes
3.	Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi (Shiromani Akali Dal)	28 Minutes
4.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar (Indian National Congress)	44 Minutes
5.	Hon. Minister of State for Food & Supplies (Shri Chiranji Lal Garg)	20 Minutes
6.	Hon. Minister for Medical Education and Research & Science & Technology and Environment (Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh)	12 Minutes

The Honourable Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 2 hours and 11 minutes.



The Notice of Amendment to the Motion of Thanks given by the Honourable Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The following motion :—

“that an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :—

*‘That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he was pleased to deliver to the House on the 24th March, 1998.’*

was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### VI. EXTENSION OF TIME OF THE SITTING

The Honourable Speaker, after seeking the consent of the House, extended the time of the sitting of the House till the speech of the Chief Minister/till the Business on the Order Paper was over.

#### VII. POINTS OF ORDER

Two Points of Order sought to be raised by the Honourable Minister for Agriculture (Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal) were declared as ‘No Points of Order’.

*(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.27 A.M. to 12.56 P.M.)*

The House, then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 9th July, 1998.

### SPECIAL BULLETIN NO. 2

#### GENERAL DISCUSSION ON GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

The Motion of Thanks to the Governor for his Address was discussed for three days i.e. 1st July, 3rd July and 6th July, 1998, lasting for 11 hours and 46 minutes.

Details of the time taken by the various Parties/Groups is

as under :—

Party/Group	No. of Members who participated	Time Taken Hrs. Minutes
1. *Treasury Benches	19	8.36
2. Indian National Congress	02	1.36
3. Communist Party of India	02	1.13
4. Bahujan Samaj Party	—	—
5. Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)	01	0.21
6. Independents	—	—

NOTE :— 1. Time taken for putting the Motion to the vote of the House by the Honourable Speaker is not included.

2. Time taken by the Treasury Benches includes the time taken by the Chief Minister, who spoke for 2 hours and 11 minutes.

\*Treasury Benches include the Members of the Shiromani Akali Dal and Bharatiya Janata Party.

### BULLETIN No. 13

Thursday, the 9th July, 1998  
(10.00 A.M. to 3.33 P.M.)

#### I. QUESTIONS:

##### (a) Postponed Starred Questions

First of all the list of Postponed Starred Questions was taken up, which contained 8 Questions in all. Out of these, 5 Questions were answered and 3 Questions were not put. The number of Supplementaries totalled 10.

Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

##### (b) Starred Questions

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
11	6	2	—	14

The remaining Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the **Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha** (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*).

(c) **Unstarred Questions:** None.

## II. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES

1. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 50) by the Hon. Member Shri Satya Pal Saini regarding migration of small industrial units of sub-division Pathankot and its surrounding area to J & K and Himachal Pradesh States due to non-payment of timely subsidy on power tariff, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.

2. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 51) by the Hon. Member Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding the decision taken by the Government to re-constitute Faculty of Unani and Ayurvedic System of Medicine in the State and to attach some Colleges to it whereas the Central Council of Indian Medicine has directed the State Government not to constitute the said Council, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Medical Education and Research made a statement in this behalf.

3. The Calling Attention Notice (No. 59) by the Hon. Member Sardar Manmohan Singh Sathiala regarding erosion of land of Dera Baba Jaimal Singh due to change of course by Beas River and lurking danger to the Air-strips constructed by devotees, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.

## III. MOTION UNDER RULE 16

The Honourable Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that :

“the Vidhan Sabha (Assembly) at its rising this day shall stand adjourned *sine die*.”

Hon. Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi spoke for 03 minutes on the Motion.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### IV. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLES

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs—

1. Laid on the Table the Annual Report of the Punjab Police Housing Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956;
2. Laid on the Table the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1995-96 alongwith Review, as required under section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.

#### V. LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS AND RESOLUTIONS UNDER ARTICLE 213(2)(a) OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA

##### (a) The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 1998

The Hon. Minister for Agriculture introduced The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 1998 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

##### Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

##### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

##### Clause 3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

##### Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 1998 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### (b) The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill, 1998

#### *(Replacing Ordinance)*

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs introduced The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill 1998 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that The Punjab State Election Commission (Amendment) Bill, 1998 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

(c) **The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998**

*(Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1998)*

and

(d) **The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998.**

*(Replacing Ordinance)*

The notice of motion disapproving **The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998** given by Honourable Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta was deemed to have been read and moved.

The Hon. Minister for Rural Development and Panchayats introduced **The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998** and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

With the consent of the House, it was decided that the notice of motion disapproving **The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998** (*Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1998*) given by Honourable Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta and the motion regarding consideration of **The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998** be discussed together and these may be put to the vote of the House separately.

The following Hon. Members participated in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	16 Minutes
2.	Chaudhri Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	15 Minutes
3.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal-Mann)	04 Minutes
4.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	06 Minutes

The Hon. Minister for Rural Development and Panchayats, by way of reply, spoke for 14 minutes.

The notice of motion disapproving **The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998** (*Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1998*) given by Honourable Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The motion that 'The **Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998** be taken into consideration at once', was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

#### **Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Clauses 2 to 5**

As there were no amendments to Clauses 2 to 5, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Rural Development and Panchayats moved that **The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 1998** be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

- (e) **The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Board Ordinance, 1998.**

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(*Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1998*)

and

- (f) **The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Board Bill, 1998**

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(*Replacing Ordinance*)

The notice of motion disapproving **The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Board Ordinance, 1998** (*Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1998*) given by Honourable Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta was deemed to have been read and moved.

The Hon. Minister for Public Works (B & R) introduced **The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Bill, 1998** and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

With the consent of the House, it was decided that the notice of motion disapproving **The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Ordinance, 1998** (*Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1998*) given by Honourable Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta and the motion regarding consideration of **The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Bill, 1998** be discussed together and these may be put to the vote of the House separately.

The following Hon. Members participated in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	02 Minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi ( <i>Communist Party of India</i> )	09 Minutes

The Hon. Minister for Public Works (B & R), by way of reply, spoke for 04 minutes.

The notice of motion disapproving **The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Ordinance, 1998** (*Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1998*) given by Honourable Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The motion that **The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Bill, 1998** be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.



The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 to 6

As there were no amendments to Clauses 2 to 6, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 7

The Notice of Amendment given by the Honourable Member Sardar Adesh Partap Singh Kairon and others that in line 4 of Part (VI) of Sub-clause (2) of Clause 7 the words "Border Area Development Programme" be deleted, was deemed to have been read and moved.

Notice of Amendment given in respect of Clause 7 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clause 7, as amended, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 8 to 13

As there were no amendments to Clauses 8 to 13, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Public Works (B & R) moved that **The Punjab Roads and Bridges Development Bill, 1998**, as amended, be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**(g) The Punjab Excise (Amendment) Bill, 1998**

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs introduced **The Punjab Excise (Amendment) Bill, 1998** and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The Hon. Member **Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan** (*Indian National Congress*), while participating in the discussion, spoke for 2 minutes.

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, by way of reply, spoke for 2 minutes.

The motion that '**The Punjab Excise (Amendment) Bill, 1998** be taken into consideration at once' was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clauses 2 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clauses 2 to 12**

As there were no amendments to Clauses 2 to 12, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that **The Punjab Excise (Amendment) Bill, 1998** be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**(h) The Punjab Education Development Bill, 1998**

The Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education introduced **The Punjab Education Development Bill, 1998** and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Hon. Members participated in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	08 Minutes
2.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (Bharatiya Janata Party)	01 Minute
3.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bharatiya Janata Party)	01 Minute
4.	Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan (Indian National Congress)	01 Minute

The Honourable Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education, by way of reply, spoke for 02 minutes.

The motion that 'The Punjab Education Development Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once' was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 to 13

As there were no amendments to Clauses 2 to 13, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Honourable Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education moved, that **The Punjab Education Development Bill, 1998** be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**(i) The Indian Stamp (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1998**

The Hon. Minister of State for Public Relations, Revenue and Rehabilitation introduced **The Indian Stamp (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1998** and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The Honourable Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, while participating in the discussion, spoke for 06 minutes.

The motion that 'The Indian Stamp (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once' was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Schedule 1-A**

Schedule 1-A was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister of State for Public Relations, Revenue and Rehabilitation moved that **The Indian Stamp (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1998** be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**(j) The East Punjab War Awards (Amendment) Bill, 1998**

The Hon. Minister of State for Welfare of Defence Services and Co-operation introduced **The East Punjab War Awards (Amendment) Bill, 1998** and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister of State for Welfare of Defence Services and Co-operation moved that **The East Punjab War Awards (Amendment) Bill, 1998** be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**(k) The Baba Farid University of Health Sciences Bill, 1998**

The Hon. Minister for Medical Education and Research introduced **The Baba Farid University of Health Sciences Bill, 1998** and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The first Notice of Amendment given by the Hon. Members **Sardar Avtar Singh Brar** and **Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta** and the second Notice of Amendment given by **Comrade Hardev Singh**

Arshi and Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan, were deemed to have been read and moved.

The Hon. Speaker intimated to the House that as per past practice, both the Notices of Amendment and the motion to take the Bill into consideration at once, will be discussed together.

The following Hon. Members participated in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	10 Minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi ( <i>Communist Party of India</i> )	11 Minutes

The Hon. Minister for Medical Education and Research, by way of reply, spoke for 10 minutes.

The Notice of Amendment given by Sardar Avtar Singh Brar and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The Notice of Amendment given by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The motion that 'The Baba Farid University of Health Sciences Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-clause 3 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 3 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## Clauses 2 to 61

As there were no amendments to Clauses 2 to 61, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

## Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Medical Education and Research moved that The Baba Farid University of Health Sciences Bill, 1998 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

(1) The Punjab State Legislature Officers, Ministers and Members Salaries, Allowances and Facilities Laws (Amendment) Bill, 1998

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs introduced The Punjab State Legislature Officers, Ministers and Members Salaries, Allowances and Facilities Laws (Amendment) Bill, 1998 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Hon. Members participated in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	08 Minutes
2.	Chaudhri Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	07 Minutes

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, by way of reply, spoke for 04 minutes.

The motion that **The Punjab State Legislature Officers, Ministers and Members Salaries, Allowances and Facilities Laws (Amendment) Bill, 1998** be taken into consideration at once was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

#### **Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Clauses 2 to 19**

As there were no amendments to Clauses 2 to 19, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that **The Punjab State Legislature Officers, Ministers and Members Salaries, Allowances and Facilities Laws (Amendment) Bill, 1998** be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### **VI. DISCUSSION ON REPORTS**

The Hon. Speaker informed that as per the decision of the Business Advisory Committee, both the Reports that is **The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board for the year 1996-97** and **The 13th Annual Report & Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1991-92** will be discussed simultaneously. These Reports were deemed to have been read and moved to be discussed.

The following Hon. Members participated in the discussion on both the Reports together and spoke for the time given agai-



nst each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	21 Minutes
2.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bharatiya Janata Party)	04 Minutes

The Hon. Minister for Tourism and Cultural Affairs, by way of reply, spoke for 12 minutes and the Hon. Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment, by way of reply, spoke for 11 minutes.

#### VII. EXTENSION OF TIME OF THE SITTING

(i) The time of the sitting of the House was, with the consent of the House, extended for one hour that is upto 3.30 P.M.

(ii) The time of the sitting of the House was, with the consent of the House, extended upto 3.45 P.M.

#### VIII. POINTS OF ORDER

The Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Honourable Members were declared as 'No Points of Order' :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Number of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order'
1	2	3
1.	Hon. Minister of State for Youth Services, Removal of Grievances and Pensions (Sardar Gobind Singh Kanjla)	1
2.	Hon. Minister for Agriculture	1

1	3		3
	(Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal)		
3.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar	(Indian National Congress)	1
4.	Chaudhri Jagjit Singh	(Indian National Congress)	1
5.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	(Indian National Congress)	1

(The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 2.47 P.M. onwards)

The House then adjourned *sine die*.

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**DURING**  
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**WITH**  
**Appendices containing Daily Bulletins**  
**and Committee of the Vidhan Sabha**



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**PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT, CHANDIGARH**  
**FEBRUARY, 1999**

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## PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Winter (Sixth) Session, 1998 held on 21st December, 1998 and 22nd December, 1998 togetherwith the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

CHANDIGARH :  
The 23rd February, 1999.

O.P. VERMA,  
SECRETARY.



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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an Order of the Governor, dated the 28th November, 1998 to meet for its Winter (Sixth) Session 1998 in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhavan Chandigarh, at 2.00 P.M. on the 21st December, 1998 and it continued to meet till the 22nd December, 1998 when it adjourned *sine-die*. It was later prorogued by an Order of the Governor, dated the 8th January, 1999.

During the Session, the Sabha held two sittings.

## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme Observed
1	2
Monday, the 21st December, 1998 (2.00 P.M. to 3.23 P.M.)	(i) Oath or Affirmation by Sardar Kanwaljit Singh declared elected in the Bye- election from 28-Adampur Assembly Constituency.  (ii) Obituary References to the deaths of—  1. Sardar Sarup Singh, Minister  2. Jathedar Jiwan Singh Umranangal, Ex-Minister  3. Shri Faqir Chand Sharma, Ex-Minister  4. Choudhary Rizak Ram, Ex-M.L.A.  5. Jathedar Niranjana Singh Patti, Ex-M.L.A.

Date	Programme Observed
1	2
	6. Jathedar Tara Singh, Ex-M.L.A.
	7. Shri Dina Nath Aggarwal, Ex-M.L.A.
	8. Sardar Magghar Singh, Freedom-Fighter
	9. Sardar Ishar Singh Khabra, Freedom-Fighter
	10. Sardar Amarjeet Singh, Ex-Chairman, Punjab Public Service Commission
	11. Giani Sohan Singh Sital, Shiromani Dhadi and Shiromani Litterateur
	12. Sardar Navtej Singh Puadhi, Punjabi Litterateur
	13. Victims of the Railway Accident near Khanna.
	14. Victims of the Landslide Tragedy in Malapa, Distt. Pithoragarh (U.P.)
Tuesday, the 22nd December, 1998 (9.00 A.M. to 12.48 P.M.)	1. Presentation of the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1998-99 in respect of the functioning and accommodation etc. of Punjab Bhavan, New Delhi and other Circuit Houses of Punjab Government.
	2. Presentation of the 22nd Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Sche-



Date	Programme Observed
1	2
	<p>duled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 1998-99 in respect of reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in Services and Posts in respect of the Punjab State Small Industries and Export Corporation Ltd.</p> <p>3. Presentation of the 116th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1986-87 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1986-87 (R. R.) relating to Excise and Taxation Department.</p> <p>4. The Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sales) Repeal Bill, 1998. (Passed)</p> <p>5. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1998. (Passed)</p> <p>6. The Punjab Rural Development (Amendment) Bill, 1998. (Passed)</p>

Date	Programme Observed
	<p>7. Resolution under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution of India regarding disapproval of the Punjab Infrastructure Development Ordinance, 1998. (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1998) (Discussed together with the Bill on the Subject). (Lost)</p> <p>8. The Punjab Infrastructure Development Bill, 1998. (Passed)</p> <p>9. The Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998. (Introduced)</p> <p>10. Motion regarding Constitution of the Select Committee on the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998. (Carried)</p> <p>11. Motion under rule 16 regarding Adjournment of the Assembly <i>sine-die</i>. (Carried)</p>

### 3. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 7th December, 1998, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13 (1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) -

1. Sh. Arunesh Kumar, MLA.
2. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, MLA.
3. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu, MLA.
4. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA.

## 4. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on 21st December, 1998 : —

1. Sardar Sarup Singh, Minister
2. Jathedar Jiwan Singh Umranangal, Ex-Minister
3. Shri Faqir Chand Sharma, Ex-Minister.
4. Choudhary Rizak Ram, Ex-M.L.A.
5. Jathedar Niranjana Singh Patti, Ex-M.L.A.
6. Jathedar Tara Singh, Ex-M.L.A.
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10. Sardar Amarjeet Singh, Ex-Chairman, Punjab Public Service Commission.
11. Giani Sohan Singh Sital, Shiromani Dhadi and Shiromani Litterateur.
12. Sardar Navtej Singh Puadhi, Punjabi Litterateur.
13. Victims of the Railway Accident near Khanna.
14. Victims of the Landslide Tragedy in Malapa, Distt. Pithoragarh, U.P.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memories of the deceased on the said occasion.

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## 5. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on the 22nd December, 1998.

### (i) Official Bills

The Sabha passed four Bills. The Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998 was referred to the Select Committee to make a report by the 15th March, 1999. (see table)

### (ii) Non-Official Bills

Nil

TABLE

S. No.	Title of the Bill	Minister Introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of Consideration	Number of Speeches						Time Taken in Minutes						Amendments Proposed						Amendments not moved/ withdrawn held out of order/Leave refused						Amendments carried						Total time taken in minutes for the disposal of the Bills	Date of Passing the Bills	Remarks
					Try.	I. N. C.	C. P. I.	B. S. P.	S. A. D. (M)	IND.	Try.	I. N. C.	C. P. I.	B. S. P.	S. A. D. (M)	IND.	Try.	I. N. C.	C. P. I.	B. S. P.	S. A. D. (M)	IND.	Try.	I. N. C.	C. P. I.	B. S. P.	S. A. D. (M)	IND.									
1.	The Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sales) Repeal Bill 1998.	Chief Minister	22-12-98	22-12-98	1	2	1	—	—	—	8	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16 Minutes	22-12-98								
2.	The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment, Bill, 1998.	—do—	22-12-98	22-12-98	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10 Minutes	22-12-98									
3.	The Punjab Rural Development (Amendment) Bill, 1998.	Rural Development & Panchayats Minister	22-12-98	22-12-98	2	1	—	—	—	—	6	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8 Minutes	22-12-98									
4.	The Punjab Infrastructure Development Bill, 1998.	Finance Minister	22-12-98	22-12-98	2	1	1	—	1	—	31	21	17	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	74 Minutes	22-12-98									
5.	The Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998	Minister for Local Govt.	22-12-98	22-12-98	1	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5 Minutes	—	Referred to the Select Committee with the direction to report by 15th March, 1999.								



## 6. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA

### 1. The Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation [of Sales] Repeal Bill, 1998.

(Introduced and passed on the 22nd December, 1998).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to increase the rate of Tax on Motor Spirit from seven percentum to ten percentum.

### 2. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1998.

(Introduced and passed on the 22nd December, 1998).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to bring Halwai goods and Bakery goods, which are at present tax free items, under the tax net and tax these at the rate of five percentum.

### 3. The Punjab Rural Development (Amendment) Bill, 1998

(Introduced and passed on the 22nd December, 1998).

This bill replaces the Punjab Rural Development (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 1998) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act to raise loans from the Banks and Financial Institutions for meeting rural infrastructure requirement.

### 4. The Punjab Infrastructure Development Bill, 1998.

(Introduced and passed on the 22nd December, 1998).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Infrastructure Development Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1998) which was promulgated to provide for the establishment of the Punjab Infrastructure Development Board and Punjab Infrastructure Fund with a view to accelerate the development of Infrastructure or without private sector participation in the State.

### 5. The Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998

(Introduced on the 22nd December, 1998).

(Referred to Select Committee to report by the 15th March, 1999).

This Bill seeks to replace the Punjab Municipal Act, 1911, the Punjab Municipal (Executive Officers) Act, 1931 and the Punjab Municipal Corporation Act, 1976, in view of the Constitution (74th Amendment) Act, 1992.

## 7. PAPERS LAID

By whom Laid	Date on which Laid	Subject
1	2	3
Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.	22nd Dec., 1998	<p>1. (i) The Punjab Rural Development (Amendment) Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 1998);</p> <p>(ii) The Punjab Infrastructure Development Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1998)</p> <p>as required under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p>2. The Punjab State Lottery Rules, 1998, as required under sub-section (3) of Section 12 of the Lotteries (Regulation) Act, 1998.</p> <p>3. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Reports of the Punjab State Leather Development Corporation Ltd., for the year 1992-93 to 1994-95</p> <p>4. The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab Urban Planning &amp; Development Authority for the year 1995-96 (1st July, 1995 to 31st March, 1996), as required under section 53 (1) of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Act, 1995, read with Rule 19.</p>



By whom Laid	Date on which Laid	Subject
1	2	3
		5. The 24th Annual Report of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd. for the year 1994-95, alongwith Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the said Report, as required under section 619--A of the Companies Act, 1956.
		6. The 17th Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1992-93, as required under section 619--A of the Companies Act, 1956.
		7. The Annual Reports of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development & Finance Corporation for the years 1995-96 and 1996-97, as required under section 27(5) of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1970.
		8. The 27th Annual Report of the Punjab Land Development & Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the year 1991-92, as required under section 619--A of the Companies Act 1956.
		9. The Annual Administrative Report of Local Fund Audit Organisation, Punjab for the year 1994-95.

By whom Laid	Date on which Laid	Subject
1	2	3

10. (i) The Annual Reports of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the years 1993-94 to 1996-97; and

(ii) The Balance Sheets of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the year 1993-94 to 1995-96; as required under section 27(6) of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1976.

11. The 14th Annual Report & Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1992-93, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

#### 8. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Sr. No.	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
1.	2.	3.	4.

#### 1. Committee on Estimates

1. Chairman, Committee on Estimates	22-12-98	Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1998-99 in respect of the
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functioning and accommodation etc. at Punjab Bhavan, New Delhi and other Circuit Houses of Punjab Government.

## II. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes

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|---|---|
| 2. Chairman, Committee 22-12-1998   | 22nd Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 1998-99 in respect of reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in Services and posts in respect of the Punjab State Small Industries and Export Corporation Ltd. |
| on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes |   |

## III. Committee on Public Accounts

- |                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| 3. Member, Committee 22-12-1998 | 116th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1986-87 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1986-87 (R.R.) relating to Excise and Taxation Department. |
| on Public Accounts              |  |

### 9. ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Notice of only one Adjournment Motion was received on 22-12-1998, which was not admitted. The detail of the same is given below :—

Sr. No.	Date of Motion	Date when taken up/ mentioned in the House	Member (s) giving notice	Subject	Decision
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	22-12-1998	22-12-1998	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh and shri Romesh Chander Dogra	Regarding financial crisis in Punjab.	Disallowed

### 10. QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE

Notice of one Privilege Motion was received which was not admitted/mentioned in the House.

### 11. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/ Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject	Remarks
1.	Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment.	22-12-1998	22-12-1998	Motion regarding constitution of the Select Committee on the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998.	Carried
2.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.	22-12-1998	22-12-1998	Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly <i>Sine-die</i> .	Carried

## 12. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 66

In all eight Notices of Calling Attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these, four were admitted. Two admitted notices could not be taken up in the House due to paucity of time. The detail of the remaining two admitted notices which were taken up in the House is given below.

The rest were disallowed by the Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other—

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member (s) Calling Attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	3	Sh. Satya Pal Saini	22-12-1998	Reg. non-clearance of Barrage Project Cons-truction work of Shah Pur kandi	The Minister of State for Irrigation made a statement in this behalf.
2.	4	Sh. Satya Pal Saini	22-12-1998	Reg. bad effect on the production of crops due to non-availability of irrigation water in Kandi Area especially in Tehsil Pathankot.	The Minister of State for Irrigation made a statement in this behalf.

## 13. STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

The Ministers made a total number of two statements in reply to Call Attention Notices.

# 14. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

		Number of speeches made by					Time taken by				
		Treasury Benches									
Members excluding Ministers	Ministers	Members of INC	Members of CPI (M)	Members of SAD	Independents	Members excluding Ministers	Ministers	Members of INC	Members of CPI	Members	Independents
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
25.00	5	6	4	2	1	H: M	H: M	H: M	H: M	H: M	H: M
10.00	25.00	30.00	20.00	10.00	5.00	00.06	00.58	00.49	00.48	00.12	00.09
per-	per-	per-	per-	per-	per-	3.29	31.87	26.93	26.37	6.59	4.95
cent	cent	cent	cent	cent	cent	per-	per-	per-	per-	per-	per-
						cent	cent	cent	cent	cent	cent

Notes—

- (1) Observations/Statements/Rulings etc. by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above Statement.
- (2) Question Hour has been excluded from the statement.
- (3) Time taken on Division, Adjournment Motions, Call Attention Notices, Privilege Motions, Points of Order, Motions in respect of Legislation, Personal Explanations, Presentation of Reports and Papers Laid/Re-laid etc. is also excluded from the Statement.

## 15. FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1. Total No. of Sittings of the Sabha	..	2
2. Total No. of Notices of Questions received :		
Starred	..	142
Unstarred	..	42
3. Total No. of Short Notice Questions received	..	—
4. Total No. of Sittings at which Questions were not taken up	..	1
5. Total No. of Members from whom notices were received	..	23
6. Total No. of Starred Questions to which oral answers were given	..	12
7. Total No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions	..	17
8. Total No. of Unstarred Questions replied to	..	10
9. Total No. of Starred Questions postponed	..	1
10. Largest No. of Questions addressed to any one Minister	..	6
(Food and Supplies Minister)		
11. Largest No. of Questions orally answered by any one Minister	..	4
(Food & Supplies Minister)		

## 16. QUESTIONS

## STATEMENT

Type of Questions	No. of Notices received	No. of Admitted Questions	No. of Disallowed Questions	No. of Postponed Questions	No. of Questions Not-put back	No. of Questions Answered	No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions	No. of Questions deemed to have been answered under Rule 38	No. of Questions withdrawn	No. of Supplementaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Starred	142	100	42	1	--	12	17	7	1	26
Unstarred	42	26	16	--	--	10	--	--	1	--



17. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS ANSWERED, DATE-WISE  
AND PARTY-WISE

Date	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	INDEPENDENTS	TOTAL
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
22-12-1998	4	1	1	4	1	1	12

18. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN  
ANSWERED UNDER RULE-38, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

Date	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	Independents	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
22-12-1998	1	2	2	—	1	1	7

19. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS IN THE NAME OF  
DIFFERENT MINISTERS, DATE-WISE

Date	Chief Minister	Local Government Minister	Revenue and Re-habilitation Minister	Agri-culture Minister	Food and Supplies Minister	PWD (B&R) Minister	Rural Development and Panchayats Minister	Tour-ism and Cultural Affairs Minister	Health and Family Welfare Minister	Transport Minister	Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister	Sports
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
22-12-1998..	1	2	2	2	4	1	1	3	1	1	1	1

20. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	PARTY
22-12-1998	SAD 1

21. WALK-OUTS

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) walking out	Occasion
1.	22-12-1998	All the Members of CPI, Members of Indian National Congress, present in the House, Sh. Charanjit Singh Nawanshahr and Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independents)	As a protest against non-acceptance of their demand for a statement by the Chief Minister on the various problems faced by the farming community.
2.	—Ditto—	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, SAD (Mann)	As a protest against publication of a book written by Sh. Harinder Singh, Correspondent of Indian Express regarding apprehension of deterioration of situation in the State.

## 22. OBSERVATION MADE BY THE SPEAKER

Observation made by the Speaker on 22nd December, 1998 regarding expunctions of disallowed portion.

I want to clarify that any portion which is 'Not Allowed' or is expunged from the proceedings should not come in the Press, otherwise it amounts to breach of privilege of the House.

## APPENDIX-I

### 23. BULLETINS

[Containing brief record of proceedings of the meetings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Winter (Sixth) Session, 1998]

#### BULLETIN NO. 1

**MONDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1998**

(2.00 P.M. to 3.23 P.M.)

#### 1. Oath or Affirmation by a Member

Sardar Kanwaljit Singh (INC) declared elected in a bye-election from 28 —Adampur (District Jalandhar) took oath as a Member of the Vidhan Sabha, in Punjabi.

#### 2. Obituary References

The Hon'ble Chief Minister made references to the deaths of—

1. Sardar Sarup Singh, Minister.
2. Jathedar Jiwan Singh Umranangal, Ex-Minister.
3. Shri Faqir Chand Sharma, Ex-Minister.
4. Choudhary Rizak Ram, Ex-M.L.A.
5. Jathedar Niranjan Singh Patti, Ex-M.L.A.
6. Jathedar Tara Singh, Ex-M.L.A.
7. Shri Dina Nath Aggarwal, Ex-M.L.A.
8. Sardar Magghar Singh, Freedom Fighter.
9. Sardar Ishar Singh Khabra, Freedom Fighter.
10. Sardar Amarjeet Singh, Ex-Chairman, Punjab Public Service Commission.
11. Giani Sohan Singh Sital, Shiromani Dhadi and Shiromani Litterateur.

12. Sardar Navtej Singh Puadhi, Punjabi Litterateur.
13. Victims of the Railway Accident near Khanna.
14. Victims of the Landslide Tragedy in Malapa, Dist. Pithoragarh, Uttar Pradesh.

and expressed his deep sorrow and grief over the demise of above personalities while praising their contribution in their respective spheres.

Besides, the Chief Minister also made reference to the sad demise of Comrade Jagir Singh, father of Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, a Member of the House, and expressed his sorrow over the passing away of the deceased.

The Chief Minister also made reference to the sad demise of the mother of Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, a Member of the House, and expressed sorrow on her passing away.

The Chief Minister requested the House to pass a Resolution of Condolence on the sad demise of the above personalities and send copies thereof to the bereaved families and while doing so, he spoke for 17 minutes.

The following Members, while paying their tributes to the deceased spoke for the time given against each of them :—

S. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	20 Minutes
2.	Sh. Balramji Dass Tandon, Minister of Local Govt., Labour and Employment.	09 Minutes
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	16 Minutes
4.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann))	07 Minutes
5.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	09 Minutes

The Hon'ble Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members over the sad demise of the above personalities. He requested the Members of the House to observe two minutes silence in order to pay their tributes to the deceased and the Members of the House observed two minutes silence in the memory of the deceased.

The Hon'ble Speaker informed the House that the Condolence Messages will be sent to the bereaved families as per wishes of the Members of the House.

The House then, adjourned till 9.00 A. M. on 22nd December, 1998.

## BULLETIN NO. 2

*Tuesday, the 22nd December, 1998*

*(From 9.00 A.M. to 12.48 P.M.)*

## I. Questions

The Hon'ble Speaker intimated the House that in spite of directions given by him during the last Session, the replies to questions were not received well in time which tantamounts to breach of privilege of the House. While citing the question numbers entered in the list of the Starred Questions for 22nd December, 1998 and also the names of the Departments, he directed that the Ministers concerned should issue instructions to their respective Departments that it should be ensured that the replies to the Questions must reach 48 hours before their coming up on the list. Any negligence on this account shall be treated as a breach of privilege of the House and appropriate action will be taken against those who are found guilty.

The Hon'ble Speaker also intimated the House that the replies to the Questions, in respect of which extension for a particular period are sought are not furnished for months together which lessens the importance of asking questions. Any delay in furnishing the reply to such questions would also tantamount to breach of privilege of the House. He hoped that the privilege of the House on this account shall be maintained.

While addressing the media persons the Hon'ble Speaker desired that any portion which is not allowed or is expunged from the proceedings should not come in the Press. This is also considered as the breach of privilege.

## (A) Starred Questions

Total No. of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of supple- mentaries
20	12	—	1	26

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly.

**(B) Unstarred-10**

**2. Intimation to the House by the Hon'ble Speaker**

The Hon'ble Speaker intimated the House that he was glad to announce the presence of Sardar Harsajjan Singh Bali, Chairman, Jammu & Kashmir Legislative Council and Sardar Hardev Singh Mattewal, Advocate General, Punjab, in the House.

**3. Announcement by the Hon'ble Speaker**

**Panel of Chairmen**

The Hon'ble Speaker nominated the following Members to serve on the panel of Chairmen under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha: —

1. Sh. Arunesh Kumar.
2. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar.
3. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu.
4. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal

**4. Announcement by the Secretary**

The Secretary made the following announcement: —

"I lay on the Table of the House the statement of the Bills which were passed by the 11th Punjab Vidhan Sabha during its 5th Session and which have been assented to by the Governor."

**5. Walk-Out**

The Members belonging to CPI present in the House, staged a walk out as a protest against non-acceptance of their demand for giving a statement by the Chief Minister on the various problems being faced by the farming Community. The Members belonging to

INC (Indian National Congress), present in the House, as also the Independent Members, namely, Sh. Charanjit Singh Nawan-Shehar and Sardar Dhanwant Singh too joined them in the Walk out.

Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (S.A.D. Mann) staged a walk out against publication of a book written by Sh. Harinder Singh, Correspondent of Indian Express resulting into apprehension of detestiorating situation in the State.

#### 6. Congratulatory Resolution

The Chief Minister congratulated the Players who won gold medals in Hockey, Kabaddi and other Sports during Bangkok Sports and raised the glory of the Nation. He particularly made a mention that two gold medals have been won by a girl who is married in the State of Punjab. He also announced in the House that all such players shall be honoured.

The Chief Minister proposed that a resolution congratulating those players who have won the gold medals and raised the glory of the nation should be passed and congratulatory messages be sent to all of them, to which the House agreed.

#### 7. Calling Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 3) given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Saini, MLA regarding non-clearance of Barrage Project Construction work of Shah Pur Kandi resulting in wastage of valuable labour component, was admitted.

The Minister of State for Irrigation made a statement.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 4) given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Saini, MLA regarding bad effect on the production of crops due to non-availability of Irrigation water in Kandi Area especially in Tehsil Pathankot, was admitted.

The Minister of State for Irrigation made a statement.

#### 8. Papers Laid on the Table

The Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister laid on the Table:—



(i) The Punjab Rural Development (Amendment)

Ordinance, 1998.

(Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 1998)

(ii) The Punjab Infrastructure Development

Ordinance, 1998.

(Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1998);

as required under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution of India.

2. The Punjab State Lottery Rules, 1998 as required under sub-section (3) of Section 12 of the Lotteries (Regulation) Act, 1998.
3. The statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Reports of the Punjab State Leather Development Corporation Ltd. for the years 1992-93 to 1994-95.
4. The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab Urban Planning & Development Authority for the year 1995-96 (1-7-95 to 31-3-96), as required under section 53(4) of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Act, 1995, read with Rule 19.
5. The 24th Annual Report of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd. for the year 1994-95, alongwith statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the said Report as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
6. The 17th Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1992-93, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
7. The Annual Reports of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development & Finance Corporation for the years 1995-96 and 1996-97, as required under section 27(5) of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1970.
8. The 27th Annual Report of the Punjab Land Development & Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the years 1991-92, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
9. The Annual Administrative Report of Local Fund Audit Organisation, Punjab, for the year 1994-95.

10. (i) The Annual Reports of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the years 1993-94 to 1996-97; and
  - (ii) The Balance Sheets of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the years 1993-94 to 1995-96;
 as required under Section 27(6) of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1976.
11. The 14th Annual Report & Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1992-93, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

#### 9. Presentation of Reports

- (i) S. Hira Singh Gabria, Chairman, Committee on Estimates presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1998-99 in respect of the functioning and accommodation etc. of Punjab Bhawan, New Delhi and other Circuit Houses of Punjab Government.
  - (ii) S. Sujan Singh, Chairman, Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes presented the 22nd Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 1998-99, in respect of reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in Services and Posts in respect of the Punjab State Small Industries and Export Corporation Ltd.
  - (iii) S. Makhan Singh, a Member of Committee on Public Accounts presented the 116th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1986-87 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1986-87(R.R.) relating to Excise and Taxation Department.
10. **Legislative Business and Resolution under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India**

- (i) **The Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sales) Repeal Bill, 1998.**

The Chief Minister introduced the Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation

of Sales) Repeal Bill, 1998 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time indicated against each :—

S. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Camrade Hardev Singh Arshi (C.P.I.)	.. 4 Minutes.
2.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (I.N.C.)	.. 3 Minutes.
3.	Sh. Romesh Chander Dogra (I.N.C.)	.. 1 Minute.

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 3 minutes.

Motion that the Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sales) Repeal Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause-1

Sub Clause (2) of Clause (1) was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title of the Bill was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Chief Minister moved that The Punjab Motor Spirit (Taxation of Sales) Repeal Bill, 1998 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

(ii) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1998.

The Chief Minister introduced the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1998 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 and 3

Clauses 2 and 3 were put together, with the consent of the House, for the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

Title of the Bill was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Chief Minister moved that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1998 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### (iii) The Punjab Rural Development (Amendment) Bill, 1998 (Replacing Ordinance)

The Rural Development and Panchyats Minister introduced the Punjab Rural Development (Amendment) Bill, 1998 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

S. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Sardar Amarjeet Singh Samra (I.N.C.)	.. 2 Minutes.
2.	Sh. Satya Pal Saini (B.J.P.)	.. 1 Minute.

The motion that the Punjab Rural Development (Amendment) Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

#### **Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1**

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Clauses 2, 3 and 4**

There being no amendments to Clauses 2, 3 and 4 these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Title**

The Title of the Bill was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Rural Development and Panchayats Minister moved that the Punjab Rural Development (Amendment) Bill, 1998, be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

(iv) **The Punjab Infrastructure Development Ordinance, 1998**  
(Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1998)

and

(v) **The Punjab Infrastructure Development Bill, 1998**  
(Replacing Ordinance)

The motion to disapprove the Punjab Infrastructure Development Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1998) given notice of by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. was deemed to have been read and moved.

As per practice, the motion to disapprove the Punjab Infrastructure Development Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1998) given notice of by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. and the Punjab Infrastructure Development Bill, 1998 were, with the consent of the House, discussed together and were put to the vote of the House separately.

The Minister for Finance and Planning introduced the Punjab Infrastructure Development Bill, 1998 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

S. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (I.N.C.)	.. 21 Minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (C.P.I.)	.. 17 Minutes
3.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (S.A.D.) (Mann)..	5 Minutes
4.	Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal (S.A.D.)	.. 5 Minutes

The Minister for Finance and Planning, by way of reply, spoke for 26 Minutes.

The motion to disapprove the Punjab Infrastructure Development Ordinance, 1998 (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1998) given notice of by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The motion that the Punjab Infrastructure Development Bill, 1998 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

#### Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 to 12

There being no Amendments to Clauses 2 to 12, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Schedule

Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Title

The Title of the Bill was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Minister for Finance and Planning moved that the Punjab Infrastructure Development Bill, 1998 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### (Vi) The Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998

The Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment introduced the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

### SELECT COMMITTEE

The Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment while describing the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998 as a historical Bill gave a brief of the Bill. He explained that although this Bill has been framed after a great deal of consideration, even then there might be some deficiencies therein. He further proposed that the Bill may be considered by all parties. He moved that the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998 be referred to a Select Committee, the Members of which shall be nominated by the Hon'ble Speaker, with the direction to submit its Report by 15th March, 1999.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 11. Motion under rule 16

The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Vidhan Sabha (Assembly) at its rising this day shall stand adjourned *sine-die*.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (C.P.I.)	.. 11 Minutes
2.	Sh. Romesh Chander Dogra (I.N.C.)	.. 02 Minutes

The Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs, by way of reply, spoke for 3 minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## 12. Points of Order

Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members were declared as "No Point of Order".

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	The Number of points of Order which were declared as "No Point of Order".
1.	Sh. Romesh Chander Dogra (I.N.C.) ..	4
2.	Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal (S.A.D.) ..	2
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (C.P.I.) ..	1
4.	Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjabwadi (S.A.D.) ..	1
5.	The Minister for Youth Services, Removal of Grievances and Pensions (Sardar Gobind Singh Kanjhla) ..	1
6.	Smt. Mahinder Kaur (S.A.D.) ..	1
7.	Sh. Avtar Henry (I.N.C.) ..	1

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.26 A.M. to 11.55 A.M.

The House then adjourned *sine-die*.

## APPENDIX-II

### 24. COMMITTEE

Nominated by the Speaker.

#### BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

[Nominated under rule 208(1)]

1. Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, Speaker.. Ex-Officio Chairman.



2. Shri Madan Mohan Mittal, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.
3. Captain Kanwaljit Singh, Finance Minister.
4. Chaudhary Jagjit Singh, Leader of Opposition.
5. Raja Narinder Singh, Minister for Public Health.
6. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A.

#### Special Invities

1. Bibi Jagir Kaur, Minister for Tourism and Cultural Affairs.
2. Sardar Suja Singh, M.L.A.

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## PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Budget (Seventh) Session, 1999 held from 9th March, 1999 to 30th March, 1999 together with the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above-mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

Chandigarh :  
The 12th July, 1999.

O.P. VERMA,  
Secretary.



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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA.

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an order of the Governor, dated the 10th February, 1999, to meet for its Budget (Seventh) Session in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, at 2.00 P.M. on the 9th March, 1999 but later on with the order of the Governor dated the 5th March, 1999, the House met at 2.30 P.M. instead of 2.00 P.M. and it continued to meet till the 30th March, 1999 when it adjourned *sine die*. It was later prorogued by an order of the Governor, dated the 7th April, 1999.

During the Session, the Sabha held 13 sittings. The Sabha held two sittings each on the 11th, 18th and 27th March, 1999.

## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme Observed
Tuesday, the 9th March, 1999 (2.30 P.M.)	Governor's Address to the Members of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
Wednesday, the 10th March, 1999 (9.00 A.M. to 9.40 A.M.)	Obituary references to the deaths of-- <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Shri Tilak Raj Chadda, Ex-MLA.</li><li>2. Sardar Gurdial Singh Lehra, Ex-MLA.</li><li>3. Sardar Naranjan Singh Seron, Ex-MLA.</li><li>4. Begum Yusaf Zaman, Ex-MLA.</li><li>5. Shri Shanti Parkash Sahai, Ex-MLA.</li><li>6. Sardar Raghubir Singh Panjhazari, a Great Personality.</li></ol>
Thursday, the 11th March, 1999 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.) (Morning Sitting)	1. Decision regarding constitution of a Committee of the House to enquire into recruitment of teachers made by the previous Government.

Date	Programme Observed
	<p>2. Presentation and adoption of the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.</p> <p>3. Presentation of the 57th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1986-87 and 1992-93 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Electricity Board.</p> <p>4. Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address.</p>
<p>Thursday, the 11th March, 1999 (2.30 P.M. to 7.00 P.M.) (Afternoon Sitting)</p>	<p>1. Presentation of the—</p> <p>(i) 117th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 (Civil) relating to the Agriculture Department.</p> <p>(ii) 118th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1986-87, 1989-90 and 1990-91 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1986-87, 1989-90 and 1990-91 (Civil) relating to Forests Department.</p> <p>(iii) 119th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on</p>

Date	Programme Observed
	<p>the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1992-93 and 1994-95 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1992-93 and 1994-95 (Civil) relating to Agriculture Department.</p> <p>2. Non-official Resolution—          "This House recommends to the State Government to evolve a scheme for the construction of Shaheed-E-Azam Sardar Bhagat Singh Bhavans at Block level in the State and provide special funds for the purpose".          (Talked out)</p>
Friday, the 12th March, 1999 (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	<p>1. Presentation of—</p> <p>(i) the Preliminary Report of the Select Committee on the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998.</p> <p>(ii) the 58th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1998-99, relating to the General Working of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd.</p> <p>2. Resumption of Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address.</p>
Saturday, the 13th March, 1999	Holiday
Sunday, the 14th March, 1999	Holiday
Monday, the 15th March, 1999	Off day
Tuesday, the 16th March, 1999	Off day

Date	Programme Observed
Wednesday, the 17th March, 1999 (2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)	Resumption of Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address.
Thursday, the 18th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting) (9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)	<p data-bbox="652 494 1207 528">1. Presentation of Reports—</p> <p data-bbox="699 546 1364 925">(i) 120th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1993-94 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1993-94 (Civil) relating to Irrigation Department.</p> <p data-bbox="652 948 1364 1651">(ii) 59th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1990-91, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Warehousing Corporation Ltd., Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd., Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd., Punjab Financial Corporation and Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd.</p> <p data-bbox="622 1696 1364 2000">(iii) 23rd Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 1998-99, in respect of the reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in</p>



Date	Programme Observed
	Services and Posts in respect of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd.
	2. Non-Official Resolution—
	"This House recommends to the State Government to review its current welfare schemes for upliftment of S.Cs. and B.Cs. in the State and take steps for effective implementation of such schemes."
	(Talked Out)
Thursday, the 18th March, 1999 (Afternoon Sitting) (2.30 P.M. to 4.59 P.M.)	1. Presentation of Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1998-99.  2. Presentation of Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1998-99.  3. Discussion and Voting on the Demands for Supplementary Grants.  4. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1999.
	(Passed)
Friday, the 19th March, 1999 (9.00 A.M. to 2.09 P.M.)	1. Presentation of Reports— (i) the 60th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1998-99, relating to the General Working of the Punjab Financial Corporation.  (ii) the 28th Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year 1998-99.

Date	Programme Observed
	(iii) the 10th Report of the Committee on Papers Laid/to be Laid on the Table for the year 1998-99.
	(iv) the 32nd Report of the Committee on Government Assurances for the year 1998-99.
	2. Resumption of Discussion on Motion of Thanks on Governor's Address.
	(Concluded)
Saturday, the 20th March, 1999	} Holidays
Sunday, the 21st March, 1999	
Monday, the 22nd March, 1999	Off day
Tuesday, the 23rd March, 1999	Holiday
Wednesday, the 24th March, 1999 (10.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.)	Presentation of Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000.
Thursday, the 25th March, 1999	Holiday
Friday, the 26th March, 1999 (Non-Stop Sitting) (11.00 A.M. to 5.31 P.M.)	<p data-bbox="599 1496 1144 1534">1. Presentation of Reports—</p> <p data-bbox="649 1552 1285 1738">(i) the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1998-99 in respect of Home Affairs and Justice Department (Police).</p> <p data-bbox="624 1760 1285 1912">(ii) the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1998-99 in respect of Local Government Department.</p> <p data-bbox="599 1944 1285 2018">2. General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000.</p>

Date	Programme Observed
Saturday, the 27th March, 1999 (9.00 A.M. to 2.19 P.M.) (Morning Sitting)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Presentation and adoption of the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.</li> <li>2. Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000. (Concluded)</li> </ol>
Saturday, the 27th March, 1999 (3.00 P.M. to 6.38 P.M.) (Afternoon Sitting)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Presentation of Reports—               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) the 61st Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1998-99 relating to the General Working of Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd.</li> <li>(ii) the Report of the Select Committee on the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Discussion and Voting on the following Demands for Grants relating to the Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000:—               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Demand No. 15 in respect of Irrigation and Power.</li> <li>2. Demand No. 12 in respect of Home Affairs and Justice.</li> <li>3. Demand No. 5 in respect of Education.</li> <li>4. Demand No. 29 in respect of Transport.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
Sunday, the 28th March, 1999  Monday, the 29th March, 1999	Holidays
Tuesday, the 30th March, 1999 (2.00 P.M. to 4.39 P.M.)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly sine die. (Carried)</li> </ol>

Date	Programme Observed
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## 2. Presentation of Reports—

- (i) the 121st Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1987-88 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1987-88 (Civil) relating to Social Welfare Department.
  - (ii) the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1998-99 in respect of Irrigation Department, Punjab.
3. Discussion and Voting on remaining Demands for Grants.
  4. The Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1999.  
(Passed)
  5. The Court Fees (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1999.  
(Passed)
  6. The Punjab Affiliated Colleges (Security of Service of Employees) (Amendment) Bill, 1999.  
(Passed)
  7. Motion regarding constitution of Elected Committees for the year 1999-2000.  
(Carried)

## 3. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 23rd February, 1999, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and

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1. Shri Arunesh Kumar
2. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
3. Sardar Sujan Singh
4. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam.

### 4. GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

The Governor addressed the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 9th March, 1999.

The Speaker laid a copy of the Governor's Address on the Table of the House on the 11th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting).

The Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address was moved by Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA on the 11th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting) which was seconded by Shri Satya Pal Saini, MLA on the same day.

The Motion was discussed on the :—

11th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting)	For 150 minutes (Treasury Benches 127 minutes and Congress 23 minutes).
12th March, 1999	For 188 minutes (Treasury Benches 95 minutes and Congress 93 minutes).
17th March, 1999	For 173 minutes (Treasury Benches 135 minutes, CPI 14 minutes and Independent 24 minutes).
19th March, 1999	For 229 minutes (Treasury Benches 154 minutes, Congress 42 minutes, SAD (M) 14 minutes and BSP 19 minutes).

29 Members took part in the discussion, 21 from the Treasury Benches (including the Mover/Seconder of the Motion and the Chief Minister), 4 from Congress and one each from CPI, SAD(M), BSP and

Independent speaking for 511 minutes, 158 minutes, 14 minutes, 14 minutes, 19 minutes and 24 minutes respectively.

The Motion was carried on the 19th March, 1999.

It was communicated by the Speaker on the 19th March, 1999 to the Governor.

### 5. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on the 10th March, 1999 :—

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Sr. No.	Name of the deceased
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| 1. | Shri Tilak Raj Chadda, Ex-MLA                          |
| 2. | Sardar Gurdial Singh Lehra, Ex-MLA                     |
| 3. | Sardar Naranjan Singh Seron, Ex-MLA                    |
| 4. | Begum Yusaf Zaman, Ex-MLA                              |
| 5. | Shri Shanti Parkash Sahai, Ex-MLA                      |
| 6. | Sardar Raghubir Singh Panjhazari, A Great Personality. |
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The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes on the occasion as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

## 6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

### I. Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1998-99

(i) Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1998-99 were presented to the Sabha on the 18th March, 1999 (Afternoon Sitting) and these were discussed and voted on the same day.

There were 25 Demands in all totalling a sum of Rs. 3395,95,09,000/-.

In accordance with the past practice a general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands together was permitted on the 18th March, 1999 (Afternoon Sitting). One Member each from Congress and CPI spoke for 20 minutes and 48 minutes respectively. The Finance Minister by way of reply spoke for 12 minutes. The Demands were put to the Vote of the House and carried.

(ii) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1999 (No. 2-PLA-of 1999) in respect of the Supplementary Demands Voted upon by the Sabha on the 18th March, 1999 (Afternoon Sitting) and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab was introduced on the 18th March, 1999 (Afternoon Sitting).

It was before the House for 10 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the 18th March, 1999 (Afternoon Sitting).

### II. The Budget Estimates for the Year 1999-2000

(i) The Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000 were presented to the House on the 24th March, 1999.

**General Discussion.**--General Discussion on the Budget was held on the:--

26th March, 1999	For 235 minutes (Treasury Benches, 113 minutes, Congress 79 minutes and CPI 43 minutes).
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27th March, 1999 For 218 minutes (Treasury Benches  
(Morning Sitting) 160 minutes, Congress 25 minutes,  
SAD (M) 21 minutes and BSP 12  
minutes).

The total time taken by the Treasury Benches including time taken by the Finance Minister was 273 minutes, Congress 104 minutes, CPI 43 minutes, SAD (M) 21 minutes and BSP 12 minutes.

(ii) **Demands for Grants.**--There were in all 30 Demands for Grants totalling a sum of Rs. 19218,61,38,000/-.

Demands No. 15, 12, 5 and 29 were specifically discussed on the 27th March, 1999 (Afternoon Sitting) and were put to the Vote of the House and carried. The rest of the Demands were also put to the Vote of the House on the 30th March, 1999 and were carried.

For detail see statement at page 13.infra.

(iii) **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1999.**--The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1999 (Bill No. 3-PLA of 1999) in respect of the Demands Voted by the Sabha and Expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab was introduced on the 30th March, 1999.

It was before the House for 10 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the 30th March, 1999.



## BUDGET ESTIMATES 1999-2000

Detailed Statement showing the number of Cut Motions moved and number of Speeches made in respect of Demands and Dates on which these were discussed

Sr. Demand No.	Subject	Date on which discussed	No. of Speeches	Time taken in minutes	Cut Motions moved	Cut motions withdrawn/hold out of order	Remarks
					Try INC CPI BSP SAD IND Try INC CPI BSP SAD IND Try INC CPI BSP SAD IND (M)		
1. 15	Irrigation & Power						
12	Home Affairs & Justice	27-3-99 (Afternoon Sitting)	1	102 21 19			
5	Education						
29	Transport						
2.	* Rest of the Demands for Grants	30-3-99	1 1 1	10 06 15			

\* Guillotine was applied in respect of Demands for Grants fixed for 30-3-99.

## 7. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on-  
18th March, 1999 (Afternoon Sitting)

30th March, 1999

### I. OFFICIAL BILLS

The Sabha passed 4 Bills in all (including 2  
Appropriation Bills) (See Table).

### II. NON-OFFICIAL BILLS

Nil.

TABLE

Sr. No. of the Bill	Title of the Bill	Minister introducing	Date of Introduction	Consideration	Number of Speeches	Time taken in minutes (M)	Amendments proposed (M)	Amendments not moved/withdrawn/held out of order/leave refused (M)	Amendments carried (M)	Total time taken in minutes for the disposal of the Bill	Date Remarks
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1.	The Punjab Finance Bill, 1999	Minister for Finance	18-3-99	(After-noon Sitting)	10	10				10 minutes	18-3-99 (After-noon Sitting)
2.	The Punjab Finance Bill, 1999	Minister for Finance	30-3-99		10	10				10 minutes	30-3-99
3.	The Punjab Revenue Bill, 1999	Minister for Revenue	30-3-99		05	05				05 minutes	30-3-99
4.	The Punjab Affiliated Secondary Colleges & Security Primary of Service Education Employees (Amendment) Bill, 1999	Minister for Education	30-3-99		05	05				05 minutes	30-3-99

## 8. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA

1. **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1999.**  
(Introduced and passed on the 18th March, 1999  
(Afternoon Sitting))

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of the sums required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by the Legislative Assembly for the expenditure for the financial year 1998-99.

2. **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1999.**  
(Introduced and passed on the 30th March, 1999)

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of all moneys required to meet the expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund and the Grants made in advance by the Legislative Assembly in respect of the estimated expenditure of the State Government, for the financial year 1999-2000.

3. **The Court Fees (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1999**  
(Introduced and passed on the 30th March, 1999)

This Bill replaces the Court Fees (Punjab Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of 1999) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act for fixing Court Fees of Rs. 100/- payable on the memorandum of appeal or cross objections before the High Court arising under the provision of the Act *ibid* or any other law for the time being in force for aquisition of land for public purpose.

4. **The Punjab Affiliated Colleges (Security of Service of Employees) (Amendment) Bill, 1999.**  
(Introduced and passed on the 30th March, 1999)

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to introduce Pension and Gratuity Scheme with effect from 1st April, 1992 for the employees of the Privately managed affiliated non-Government aided

colleges in the State in respect of aided posts, covered under 95% deficit grant-in-aid scheme, on the pattern of privately aided schools.

## 9. RESOLUTIONS

### (i) Official

The following Resolution was moved on the 30th March, 1999 by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs :--

"WHEREAS the elections to the—

1. Committee on Public Accounts;
2. Committee on Estimates;
3. Committee on Public Undertakings; and
4. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes,

for the year 1999-2000, are to be held before the 31st March, 1999; and

WHEREAS the time left at the disposal of the House is extremely short and it is not possible to conduct, in the normal course, the elections to these Committees;

NOW, therefore, this House authorises the Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha, to nominate the members of the aforesaid Committees for the aforesaid year, keeping in view the proportionate strength of various Parties/Groups in the House;

THIS HOUSE further resolves that for the above purpose, the Rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) relating to the elections to the said Committees for the year 1999-2000, which are inconsistent with or contrary to the above Resolution, shall stand suspended."

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

## (11) NON-OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS

Sr. No.	Total	Treasury Benches	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD (MANN)	Independent
1. Number of notices received	29	7	12	9	--	1	--
2. Number of notices admitted	19	5	4	9	--	1	--
3. Number of notices dis- allowed	10	2	8	--	--	--	--
4. Number of Resolutions for Ballots	32	5	8	17	--	2	--
5. Total Number of Resolutions which lapsed on prorogation	14	--	--	--	--	--	--
6. Number of ballots held	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
7. Date on which business other than Government business was transacted	11-3-99 & 18-3-99						
8. Date on which ballot was held	10-3-99 & 17-3-99						

On Thursday, the 11th March, 1999, the following Resolution given notice of by Com. Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. was moved by Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta, M.L.A. :--

**"This House recommends to the State Government to evolve a scheme for the Construction of Shaheed-e-Azam Sardar Bhagat Singh Bhavans at Block level in the State and provide special funds for the purpose."**

The Resolution was discussed in the House for 3 hours. 9 Members from the Treasury Benches, 1 from Indian National Congress, 1 from B.S.P. and 2 Members from C.P.I. participated in the Debate and spoke for 2 hours 2 minutes, 10 minutes, 15 minutes and 33 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was talked out.

On Thursday, the 18th March, 1999 the following Resolution given notice of by Sh. Harminder Singh Jassi, M.L.A., could not be moved as the Hon'ble Member was not present in the House :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to review its current Welfare Schemes for upliftment of S.Cs and B.Cs. in the State and take steps for effective implementation of such schemes."

Dr. Harbans Lal, M.L.A., moved the following Resolution :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to review its current Welfare Schemes for upliftment of S.Cs. and B.Cs. in the State and take steps for effective implementation of such schemes."

The Resolution was discussed in the House for 2 hours and 56 minutes. 6 Members from the Treasury Benches, 1 Member from Indian National Congress, 1 from C.P.I. and 1 Member from SAD (MANN) participated in the debate and spoke for 1 hour 35 minutes, 29 minutes, 34 minutes and 18 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was talked out.

#### 10. PAPERS LAID

Sr. No.	By whom laid,	Date on which laid	Subject
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	11-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	1. The Court Fees, (Punjab Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of 1999) as required under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution.
			2. The Salary and Allowances of Leader of Opposition in Legislative Assembly

Sr. No.	By whom laid	Date on which laid	Subject
			(First Amendment) Rules, 1999, as required under section 10(3) of the Salary and Allowances of Leader of Opposition in Legislative Assembly Act, 1978.
			3. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Administration Report of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation for the year 1997-98.
			4. The 18th Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1993-94, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
			5. The Annual Reports, alongwith memorandums, of the Punjab Public Service Commission for the years from 1985-86 to 1995-96, as required under Article 323(2) of the Constitution.
			6. The 5th Annual Report of the Punjab State Forest Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1987-88, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
			7. The 13th Annual Report of the Punjab Khadi and Village Industries Board for the year 1995-96.



Sr. No.	By whom laid	Date on which laid	Subject
8.	The Administration Report of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation for the year 1995-96, alongwith Review, as required under section 35(3) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.		
9.	The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Report of the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1997-98.		
10.	The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Small Industries and Export Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.		
11.	The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab Urban Planning and Development Authority for the year 1996-97, as required under section 53(1) of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Act, 1995, read with Rule 19.		
12.	(i) the Annual Audit Report of Local Audit Wing, Punjab, Department of Finance, for the year 1995-96; and		

Sr. No.	By whom laid	Date on which laid	Subject
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(ii) the Annual Administrative Report of Local Fund Audit Organisation, Punjab, Department of Finance, for the year 1996-97.

2.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	18-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	1. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts/Reports of the Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the years 1992-93 to 1997-98.
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2. The Annual Financial Statement of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1999-2000, as required under section 61 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

3. The Audit Reports on the Accounts of Punjab Financial Corporation for the year 1990-91 to 1992-93.

4. The 6th Annual Report of the Punjab State Forest Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1988-89, alongwith Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Report for the year 1997-98, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

Sr. No.	By whom laid	Date on which laid	Subject
3.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	26-3-1999	<p>1. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts/Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1997-98.</p> <p>2. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the P.R.T.C. for the year 1997-98.</p>

### 11. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Sr. No.	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
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#### I. BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1.	Speaker	11-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	(i) First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
2.	Speaker	27-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	(ii) Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

#### II SELECT COMMITTEE

1.	Chairman	12-3-1999	(i) Preliminary Report of the Select Committee on the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998.
2.	Chairman	27-3-1999 (Afternoon Sitting)	(ii) Report of the Select Committee on the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998.

Sr. No	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/laid.	Subject
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### III. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

1. Chairman 11-3-1999 (Afternoon Sitting)
  - (i) 117th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years from 1987-88 to 1990-91 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years from 1987-88 to 1990-91 (Civil) relating to the Agriculture Department.
  - (ii) 118th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1986-87, 1989-90 and 1990-91 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1986-87, 1989-90 . and 1990-91 (Civil) relating to Forests Department.
  - (iii) 119th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1992-93 and 1994-95 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years

Sr. No	By whom present- ed/laid	Date on which presented/ laid.	Subject
			1992-93 and 1994-95 (Civil) relating to Agriculture Department.
2.	Chairman	18-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	(iv) 120th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Approp- riation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1993-94 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1993-94 (Civil) relating to Irrigation Department.
3.	Chairman	30-3-1999	(v) 121st Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Approp- riation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1987-88 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1987-88 (Civil) relating to Social Welfare Department.

#### IV. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS

1.	Chairman	11-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	(i) 57th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1986-87 and 1992-93 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Electricity Board.
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Sr. No	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/laid.	Subject
2.	Chairman	12-3-1999	(ii) 58th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1998-99 relating to the General Working of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd.
3.	Chairman (Morning Sitting)	18-3-1999	(iii) 59th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1990-91, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd., Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd., Punjab Financial Corporation and Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd.
4.	Chairman	19-3-1999	(iv) 60th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1998-99 relating to the General Working of the Punjab Financial Corporation.
5.	Chairman (Afternoon Sitting)	27-3-1999	(v) 61st Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the

Sr. No	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/laid.	Subject
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year 1998-99 relating to the General Working of Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd.

#### V.COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES, SCHEDULED TRIBES AND BACKWARD CLASSES

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| 1. Chairman | 18-3-1999<br>(Morning Sitting) | 23rd Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 1998-99 in respect of the reservations for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in Services and Posts in respect of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd. |
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#### VI COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES

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| 1. Chairman | 18-3-1999<br>(Afternoon Sitting) | (i) Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1998-99.   |
| 2. Member   | 26-3-1999                        | (ii) Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1998-99 in respect of Home Affairs and Justice Department (Police).<br><br>(iii) Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1998-99 in respect of Local Government Department. |
| 3. Chairman | 30-3-1999                        | (iv) Report of the Committee on Estimates for the  |

Sr. No	By whom present- ed/laid	Date on which presented/ laid	Subject
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year 1998-99 in respect  
of Irrigation Department,  
Punjab.

### VII.COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION

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| 1 | Chairman | 19-3-1999 | 28th Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year 1998-99. |
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### VIII.COMMITTEE ON PAPERS LAID/TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE

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| 1 | Chairman | 19-3-1999 | 10th Report of the Committee on Papers Laid/ to be Laid on the Table for the year 1998-99. |
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### IX.COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES

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| 1 | Chairman | 19-3-1999 | 32nd Report of the Committee on Government Assurances for the year 1998-99. |
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### 12. ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Notice of one Adjournment Motion was received on 24th March, 1999 from Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. which was not admitted. However, it was mentioned in the House, the particulars of which are given below :--

Sr. No.	Date of Motion	Date when taken up/ mentioned	Member giving Notice	Subject	Decision
1	24-3-99	24-3-1999 and 26-3-1999	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	Killing of two civilians and one police-man in Amritsar	Dis-allowed



## 13. QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Notices of two Privilege Motions were received but none of these was mentioned in the House.

## 14. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject matter	Decision/Remarks
1	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	11-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	11-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	Adoption of recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried.
2	Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA	11-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	11-3-1999 (Morning Sitting) 12-3-1999 17-3-1999 19-3-1999	Motion of Thanks for the Address delivered by the Governor on the 9th March, 1999.	Carried on 19-3-1999.
3	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	27-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	27-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	Adoption of recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried.
4	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	30-3-1999	30-3-1999	Motion under Rule 16 reg. adjournment of House sine-die.	Carried.

## 15. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 66

In all, 60 Notices Calling Attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these, 21 were admitted. One admitted notice could not be taken up in the House for not being put. The details of the remaining 20 admitted notices which were taken up in the House are given below :--

The rest were disallowed by the Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other.

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member (s) Calling Attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1	Sh. Satya Pal Saini	11-3-1999 (M.S.)	Reg. illegal felling of valuable trees in catchment area of Shahpur Kandi Project and in the adjoining green belt in Dhar block in District Gurdaspur.	The Forest, Legal and Legislative Affairs Minister made a statement.
2	2	S. Sher Singh Jalalabad	11-3-1999 (M.S.)	Reg. discontentment amongst the people due to lesser supply of kerosene in District Ferozepur	The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister made a statement.

1	2	3	4	5	6
				as compared to other Districts of the State.	
3	5	Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	11-3-1999 (M.S.)	Reg. resentment amongst the workers employed in the State under various projects under the I.C.D.S. schemes due to non-sanctioning of the said schemes by the Central Government.	The Tourism and Cultural Affairs Minister made a statement.
4	8	Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	11-3-1999 (Afternoon sitting)	Reg. boycotting of examination by Teachers of recognised schools and Government aided schools in the State as a protest against non-implementation of their already accepted demands by the Government.	The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister made a statement.

1	2	3	4	5	6
5	10	S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	11-3-1999 (Afternoon sitting)	Reg. damage caused to the crops due to waterlogging in Sardulgarh Sub- Division, District Mansa.	The Minister of State for Irriga- tion made a statement.
6	11	S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	11-3-1999 (Afternoon sitting)	Reg. pollution affecting the health of the people living on the banks of the river Ghaggar due to industrial water and untreated effluents being dis- charged into the river.	The Finance and Planning Minister made a statement.
7	14	Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	17-3-1999	Reg. resentment amongst the teachers of Government aided private colleges due to the decision of the Government to provide only fixed grants to such	The Higher Sec- ondary and Primary Education Minister made a statement.

1	2	3	4	5	6
8	15	1. Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta 2. Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	17-3-1999	colleges instead of 25% grant scheme. Reg. non-lifting of 40 lakh tonnes of wheat of last year lying in the open as well as in the stores.	The Food and Supplies and Parlia- mentary Affairs Minister made a statement.
9	17	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	17-3-1999	Reg. inadequate supply of Kerosene from Ration Depots to the general public in the State resulting in black- marketing of the said commodity.	The Food and Supplies and Parlia- mentary Affairs Minister made a statement.
10	33	Capt. Balbir Singh Bath	26-3-1999	Reg. poor per- formance on the part of Primary School Teachers due to non-conduct- ing of checks by the BEOs and DEOs in the State.	The Higher Sec- ondary and Primary Education Minister made a statement.

1	2	3	4	5	6
11	35	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	26-3-1999	Reg. non-availability of Sugar to the people at Fair Price Shops in the State, particularly in Amritsar.	The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister made a statement.
12	36	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	26-3-1999	Reg. shortage of potable water in Amritsar even in the month of March, 1999.	The Local Government Minister made a statement.
13	41	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	27-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. steep rise in the price of wheat flour resulting in difficulty being faced by a common man to pull on life.	The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister made a statement.
14	42	S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	27-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. non-payment of Wages and Salaries to the workers/employees for PUNWIRE for the last two months.	The Minister of State for Electronics and Industries made a statement.

1	2	3	4	5	6
15	43	S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	27-3-1999 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. danger to the residents and crops of a large area of sub-division Sardulgarh, District Mansa due to damage caused to the lining of the Main Bhakra Canal.	The Minister of State for Irrigation made a statement.
16	44	1. Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta 2. Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	27-3-1999 (Afternoon Sitting)	Reg. discontentment amongst the residents of Village Theri, District Muktsar as per force they have to drink polluted water due to mixing of potable water with sullage water.	The Minister for Public Health and Civil Aviation made a statement.
17	47	1. Com. Hardev Singh Arshi 2. Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta	27-3-1999 (Afternoon sitting)	Reg. inconvenience being faced by the students due to noise pollution created by Orchestras in marriage palaces.	The Minister for Finance and Planning made a statement.

1	2	3	4	5	6
18	49	1. Com Ajaib Singh Raunta 2. Com Hardev Singh Arshi	27-3-1999 (Afternoon sitting)	Reg. non-payment of wages to thou- sands of workers of PWD since December, 1998.	The Minister for Public Health and Civil Aviation made a statement.
19	56	1. Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta 2. Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	30-3-1999	Reg. non-payment of stipend to students belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes studying in Government Schools.	The Higher Sec- ondary and Primary Education Minister made a statement.
20	57	Shri Tikshan Sud	30-3-1999	Reg. exhaustion of stocks of medicines for the treatment of Tuberculosis in the Hospital attach- ed to the Govern- ment Medical College, Amritsar.	The Finance and Planning Minister made a statement.



## 16. STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

The Chief Minister/Ministers made 20 statements in reply to Call Attention Notices.

## 17. STATEMENTS MADE IN REPLY TO THE MATTERS RAISED DURING ZERO HOUR

12 statements were made in reply to various matters raised by the Hon'ble Members during zero hour, the details of which are as under :--

S. No.	Date	Made by	Subject-matter
1	2	3	4
1	17th March, 1999	Chief Minister	Regarding court arrest of teachers in Chandigarh.
2	17th March, 1999	Chief Minister	Regarding filling up of S.Y.L. Canal.
3	19th March, 1999	Chief Minister	Regarding supply of surplus electricity to other States.
4	19th March, 1999	Chief Minister	Regarding misbehaviour with the Dalits.
5	19th March, 1999	Chief Minister	Regarding strike by the workers of O.C.M. Mills, Amritsar.
6	26th March, 1999	Chief Minister	Regarding involvement of Police in two different cases in Ludhiana and Jalandhar.
7	30th March, 1999	Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education	Regarding hunger strike resorted to by teachers retrenched from service.
8	30th March, 1999	Chief Minister	Regarding release of remaining grant out of the total grant of Rs. 35.00 lakhs sanctioned for setting up of Maharishi Balmiki Chair in Punjabi University, Patiala.

1	2	3	4
9	30th March, 1999	Chief Minister	Regarding staging of Dharna by the writers and litterateurs demanding introduction of Punjabi in Government Offices.
10	30th March, 1999	Chief Minister	Regarding privatisation of transport by ignoring nationalisation in the State.
11	30th March, 1999	Chief Minister	Regarding an incident involving one Mr. Dhillon and the residents of village Mullanpur Garib Dass, District Ropar.
12	30th March, 1999	Chief Minister	Regarding hunger strike by retrenched teachers from the service.

# 18. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

Number of Speeches made by										Time taken by				
Treasury Banches	Mem- bers of I.N.C	Mem- bers of C.P.I	Mem- bers of S.A.D	Mem- bers of B.S.P	Indepen- dents	Treasury Banches	Mem- bers of I.N.C	Mem- bers of C.P.I	Mem- bers of S.A.D	Mem- bers of B.S.P	Indepen- dents			
Members excluding Ministers						Members excluding Ministers								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
51	10	12	10	4	4	2	H.M. 14.18	H.M. 4.42	H.M. 5.54	H.M. 3.32	H.M. 0.50	H.M. 0.57	H.M. 0.29	
54.84	10.75	12.91	10.75	4.30	4.30	2.15	46.50	15.31	19.22	11.51	2.72	3.09	1.57	
Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	

## 19. FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1.	Total No. of sittings of the Sabha	13
2.	Total No. of Notices of Questions received :—	
	Starred :	484
	Unstarred :	113
	Short-Notice :	9
3.	Total No. of sittings at which Questions were not taken up	1
4.	Total No. of Members from whom notices were received	33
5.	Total No. of Questions placed on Order Paper :—	
	Starred :	240
	Unstarred :	67
	Short-Notice :	4
6.	Total No. of Starred Questions to which oral answers were given	163
7.	Largest No. of Questions orally answered on any one day (24th March, 1999 and 27th March, 1999 (A.S.))	16
8.	Least No. of Questions orally answered on any one day (27th March, 1999)	11
9.	Total No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions	58
10.	Total No. Unstarred Questions replied to	60
11.	Total No. of Starred Questions postponed	15
12.	Largest No. of Questions addressed to any one Minister on any one day [Chief Minister on 11th March, 1999 (M.S.)]	10
13.	Largest No. of Questions orally answered by any one Minister on any one day [Chief Minister on 11th March, 1999 (A.S.)]	6

## 20. QUESTIONS

### STATEMENT

Type of Questions	No. of Notices received	No. of Questions admitted	No. of Questions disallowed/referred back Questions	No. of Questions Postponed	No. of Questions not-put	No. of Questions answered	No. of Starred Questions con-verted as been Unstarred answered Questions u/r 38 on Pro-rogation	No. of Questions deemed to have	No. of Questions withdrawn men-taries	No. of Supple-
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
STARRED	484	312	172	15	13	163	58	48	1	**410
UNSTARRED	113	69	44	7	--	60	--	--	--	--
SHORT NOTICE	*9	4	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

\*Two Questions given at Short Notice were admitted as Ordinary Starred Questions.

\*\*Including 29 Supplementaries on the Postponed Questions taken up on 24th March, 1999 and 30th March, 1999.

# 21. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS ANSWERED DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

Date	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
11-3-99 (M.S.)	2	5	1	3	2	--	--	13
11-3-99 (A.S.)	11	--	3	1	--	--	--	15
12-3-99	7	3	--	1	2	--	1	14
17-3-99	6	2	1	4	2	--	--	15
18-3-99 (M.S.)	7	4	2	--	--	--	1	14
18-3-99 (A.S.)	11	1	3	--	--	--	--	15
19-3-99	3	4	--	3	2	--	1	13
24-3-99	9	2	5	--	--	--	--	16
26-3-99	3	4	1	2	2	--	2	14
27-3-99 (M.S.)	5	2	3	1	--	--	--	11
27-3-99 (A.S.)	8	2	--	3	1	--	2	16
30-3-99	3	--	1	2	1	--	--	7

22. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN ANSWERED UNDER RULE-38, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
11-3-99 (M.S.)	3	1	--	--	--	--	2	6
11-3-99 (A.S.)	--	--	2	1	--	--	--	3
12-3-99	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
17-3-99	3	1	1	--	--	--	--	5
18-3-99 (M.S.)	1	--	--	--	--	--	1	2
18-3-99 (A.S.)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
19-3-99	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	2
24-3-99	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
26-3-99	3	--	--	3	--	--	--	6
27-3-99 (M.S.)	4	2	2	--	--	--	--	8
27-3-99 (A.S.)	3	--	--	--	1	--	--	4
30-3-99	5	2	1	2	1	--	1	12

23. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS IN THE NAME OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS, DATE-WISE

Date	Chief Minister Government and Labour and Employment Minister	Local Government Minister	Co-operation Minister	Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister	Agriculture Minister	Food and Supplies Minister	Finance Minister	Technical Education and Training Minister	Rural Development and Panchayat Minister	Tourism and Cultural Affairs Minister	Social Security and Welfare Minister	Health and Family Welfare Minister	Public Health Minister	Transport Minister	Animal Husbandry and Dairy Development Minister	Welfare of S.C.s and S.T.s Minister	Youth Services Minister	Public Relations Minister	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
11-3-99 (M.S.)	1	--	--	4	--	1	--	1	--	--	--	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	1
11-3-99 (A.S.)	1	1	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	1	--	1	1	3	--	--
12-3-99	--	2	--	1	1	--	1	1	--	1	1	1	--	--	--	2	--	--	--
17-3-99	3	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	--	--	3	--	3	1	2	--	1	--	--
18-3-99 (M.S.)	--	--	1	2	4	--	2	--	--	--	2	1	--	--	1	--	3	--	--
18-3-99 (A.S.)	2	1	--	1	2	--	1	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	1	1	--
19-3-99	--	1	--	2	--	1	--	1	2	--	3	--	1	--	1	1	--	--	--
24-3-99	2	--	2	3	1	--	--	1	--	--	1	--	1	1	--	1	1	--	--
25-3-99	1	--	1	1	--	1	1	--	--	--	2	--	1	--	2	--	3	--	--
27-3-99 (M.S.)	--	1	2	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	1	1	--	1	5	--	--
27-3-99 (A.S.)	1	--	1	1	1	--	--	1	--	--	3	1	2	1	--	--	2	--	--
30-3-99	1	1	--	--	--	--	2	--	1	--	--	--	2	1	--	--	2	1	--



24. STATEMENT REGARDING STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED FROM SOME OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS (AT SERIAL NO. 23) WHICH WERE INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF POSTPONED STARRED QUESTIONS.

Date	Chief Minister	Rural Development and Panchayats Minister	Welfare of S.Cs & B.Cs. Minister
24-3-99	1	1	2
30-3-99	4	--	3

## 25. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

Date	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
11-3-99 (M.S.)	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	1
11-3-99 (A.S.)	1	--	--	1	--	--	--	2
12-3-99	2	1	--	--	--	--	1	4
17-3-99	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
18-3-99 (M.S.)	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	1
18-3-99 (A.S.)	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1
19-3-99	--	1	1	1	--	--	1	4
24-3-99	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	1
26-3-99	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
27-3-99 (M.S.)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
27-3-99 (A.S.)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
30-3-99	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	1

# 26. WALK-OUTS

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) walking-out	Occasion
1	2	3	4
1	11th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting)	All the Members of the Indian National Congress Party, present in the House, and the Members of C.P.I., B.S.P., SAD(Mann) and Sardar Charanjit Singh Nawanshahar (Ind.)	On the issue of demands of teachers of recognised colleges and schools in the State.
2	11th March, 1999 (Afternoon Sitting)	All the Members of INC Party, present in the House	As a protest against auctioning of the liquor vends in the State at the lower price.
3	11th March, 1999 (Afternoon Sitting)	Members of the C.P.I. and Members of the INC Party, present in the House.	As a protest against non-acceptance of their view-point raised in the Resolution.
4	12th March, 1999	All the Members of Indian National Congress Party, present in the House	As a protest against not being allowed by the Chair to raise issue regarding death of Sardar Kundan Singh Aulakh, Chief Conservator of Forests.
5	12th March, 1999	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	As a protest against not being allowed to speak during Zero Hour.

- 6 17th March, 1999 All the Members of the INC Party, present in the House As a protest against not-listening to Chaudhri Jagjit Singh fully on the issue regarding demands of the teachers.
- 7 17th March, 1999 Members of the C.P.I. As a protest against not being allotted due time on the Discussion on Governor's Address.
- 8 18th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting) All the Members of the I.N.C. Party, present in the House As a protest against not replying by the Minister concerned, on the issue of octroi in Municipal Committee, Bathinda raised by Chaudhri Jagjit Singh.
- 9 18th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting) Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar SAD (Mann) As a protest against lowering of morale of police.
- 10 18th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting) Members of C.P.I. As a protest against backing out from the promises made by the Government, excessive burden had been put on the people and the Government have failed on every front.
- 11 18th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting) Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (BJP), Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Bikramjeet Singh Khalsa and Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura (SAD) As a protest against not being allowed to speak during the Zero Hour.
- 12 18th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting) Members of I.N.C. Party, present in the House, and the Members of C.P.I. and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar SAD (Mann) As a protest against not passing the Resolution.

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|----|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| 13 | 24th March, 1999                      | Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (BJP)  | As a protest against not being allowed to speak.  |
| 14 | 26th March, 1999                      | All the Members of INC Party, present in the House, Members of CPI and Sardar Charanjit Singh Nawanshahar (Ind.) and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar SAD (Mann). | As a protest against not giving correct reply to Question No. 1446 by the Finance and Planning Minister and curbing their rights.   |
| 15 | 26th March, 1999                      | All the Members of the I.N.C., present in the House.   | As a protest against non-passing of bills by the treasuries in the State in respect of amounts got sanctioned from the House through supplementary demands and that the employees might not be disbursed their Salaries on the first day of the next month. |
| 16 | 27th March, 1999<br>(Morning Sitting) | Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta (SAD)   | As a protest against reference made by Sardar Ajaib Singh Mukhmailpura about S.G.P.C. while taking part in the General Discussion on the Budget Estimates.  |

1	2	3	4
17	27th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting)	Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa and Shrimati Daljit Kaur (SAD)	As a protest against the orders of the Chair for not allowing Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira to speak which he started simultaneously when the Finance and Planning Minister had started replying to the General Discussion on the Budget Estimates.

## 27. DHARNA

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) sitting in Dharna	Occasion
1	30th March, 1999	All Members of the Indian National Congress, present in the House.	As a protest against a statement not being made by the Chief Minister on the issue of hunger strike resorted to by retrenched teachers.

## 28. PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS

The following Personal Explanations were made during the Session:--

Sr. No.	Date	Name of the Minister/Member	Occasion
1	12th March, 1999	Master Mohan Lal, Minister for Forests and Legal and Legislative Affairs	On the issue raised by Commrade Ajaib Singh Raunta and Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, MLAs, regarding the death of Sardar Kundan Singh Aulakh, Chief Conservator of Forests, Punjab.
2	18th March, 1999 (A.S.)	S. Ajit Singh Kohar, Minister of State for Agriculture	On an issue raised in the Morning Sitting, on 18th March, 1999, by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, MLA, regarding lowering morale of police and reference to a tragedy at Shahkot in Lohian Constituency the previous day and also the death of a Minister's nephew.

## 29. UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Sr. No.	Expression	Occasion	Date
1	2	3	4
1	ਗੁੰਮਰਾਹ	When used with reference to the Government	12th March, 1999.
2	.. ਅਸੀਂ ਮਰਹੂਮ ਸਰਦਾਰ ਬੇਅੰਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ ਨੂੰ ਪਿੱਟ ਕੇ ਮਰ ਗਏ ਪਰ ਸਾਡੀ ਇੱਕ ਨਾ ਸੁਣੀ ਗਈ	When used with reference to Congress Party	12th March, 1999.
3	.. ਇਹ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਕਰਤੂਤਾਂ ਕੀਤੀਆਂ ਹੋਈਆਂ ਹਨ.....	When used with reference to the Congress Party	17th March, 1999.
4	ਬੂਠ	When used with reference to an Hon. Member	18th March, 1999 (M.S.).
5	ਗੁੰਮਰਾਹ	(When used with reference to an Hon. Member	18th March, 1999 (M.S.).
6	ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੇ ਕਿਹਾ ਬਾਦਲ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਨੇ ਬੂਠੇ ਵਾਅਦੇ ਕੀਤੇ ਹਨ ਅਤੇ ਕਲੋਨੀਆਂ ਦੇ ਬੂਠੇ ਨਾਹਰੇ ਮਾਰੇ	When used with reference to the Chief Minister	18th March, 1999 (M.S.).
7	ਜਿਹੜਾ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੇ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਵਿੱਚ ਪਹਿਲੇ ਗੰਦ ਪਾਇਆ ਹੋਇਆ ਸੀ ਉਸ ਨੂੰ ਪਹਿਲੇ ਅਸੀਂ ਸਾਫ ਨਹੀਂ ਕਰ ਸਕੇ	When used with reference to an Hon. Member	18th March, 1999 (A.S.).



1	2	3	4
8	ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਤੋਂ ਨਾਲ ਹਾਊਸ ਨੂੰ ਅਤੇ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦੇ ਲੋਕਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਗੁੰਮਰਾਹ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਐਰ ਇਹ ਬਜਟ ਇੱਕ ਕਿਸਮ ਦਾ ਕਾਗਜ਼ੀ ਡਰਾਮਾ ਹੈ	When used with reference to the Government	26th March, 1999.
9	ਸਾੜਸੌਤੀ	When used with reference to an Hon. Member	26th March, 1999.
10	... ਇਹ ਹਾਊਸ ਨੂੰ ਕਿਉਂ ਗੁੰਮਰਾਹ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ ਕਿ ਅਸੀਂ ਟੈਕਸ ਨਹੀਂ ਲਗਾਏ	When used with reference to an Hon. Member of Congress Party	27th March, 1999 (M.S.).
11	... ਇਹ ਅੰਗਰੇਜ਼ ਦੀ ਕੁੱਖ ਤੋਂ ਜਨਮੀ ਹੋਈ 113 ਸਾਲ ਦੀ ਬੁੱਢੀ ਹੋਈ ਸੰਸਥਾ ਜਿਹੜੀ ਜਰਜਰ ਅਵਸਥਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਦੇਸ਼ ਦੇ ਬੋਝ ਨੂੰ ਉਠਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਪਾ ਰਹੀ, ਇਸ ਨੇ ਇਸ ਬਜਟ ਨੂੰ ਸਹਿਣ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ	When used with reference to Congress Party	27th March, 1999 (M.S.).
12	ਗੁੰਮਰਾਹ	When used with reference to the Government	27th March, 1999 (A.S.).
13	ਬੂਠ	When used with reference to Congress Party	27th March, 1999 (A.S.).
14	ਠੱਗੀ	When used with reference to Congress Party	27th March, 1999 (A.S.).

1	2	3	4
15	ਗੁੰਮਰਾਹ	When used with reference to Congress Party	27th March, 1999 (A.S.)
16	ਧੋਖਾ	When used with reference to Congress Party	27th March, 1999 (A.S.)
17	ਮਿਸਲੀਡ	When used with reference to a State Minister	30th March, 1999
18	... ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਟੀਚਰਜ਼ ਦੀ ਕਾਤਲ ਹੈ.....	When used with reference to the Government	30th March, 1999

### 30. OBSERVATION MADE BY THE CHAIR

Observation made by the Chair on 17th March, 1999 regarding bringing of mobile phones in the House.

On being pointed out by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, the Chairman observed that Hon'ble Speaker had already ordered that the Hon'ble Members should not bring mobile phones in the House and also that no one should bring mobile phones in the Press Gallery. If anyone has mobile phone then that person should go and keep it outside the House.

## APPENDIX I

## 31. BULLETINS

(Containing brief record of the proceedings of the sittings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Budget (Seventh) Session 1999.)

## BULLETIN NO. 1

Wednesday, the 10th March, 1999,

(From 9.00 A.M. to 9.40 A.M.)

## 1. Obituary References :

The Chief Minister made reference to the passing away of :--

1. Shri Tilak Raj Chadda, Ex-M.L.A.
2. Sardar Gurdial Singh Lehra, Ex- M.L.A.
3. Sardar Naranjan Singh Seron, Ex-M.L.A.
4. Begum Yusaf Zaman, Ex-M.L.A.
5. Shri Shanti Parkash Sahai, Ex-M.L.A.

and expressed deep sense of sorrow over the sad demise of the aforesaid personalities. While paying his tributes, the Chief Minister made reference to the sad demise of another great personality Sardar Raghubir Singh Panjhzari and expressed his deep sense of sorrow. The Chief Minister also made reference of loss of valuable lives in air crash of an I.A.F. A.N. 32 Air Craft and expressed his deep sense of sorrow.

The Chief Minister requested that a message of condolence be passed and sent to the concerned bereaved families. While doing so, he spoke for six minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members also paid homages to the departed souls and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	Chaudhri Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	6 Minutes

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
2	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	4 Minutes
3	Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment	6 Minutes
4	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungara (Bahujan Samaj Party)	4 Minutes
5	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar [Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)]	4 Minutes
6	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	5 Minutes
7	Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura (Shiromani Akali Dal)	3 Minutes

The Hon'ble Speaker also associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Hon. Members while paying tributes to the departed souls. He informed the House that as per the wishes of the House, condolence messages will be sent to the bereaved families.

The House, then, stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the deceased.

The House, then, adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 11th March, 1999.

#### BULLETIN NO. 2

Thursday, the 11th March, 1999

(Morning Sitting)

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

#### 1. Questions :

##### (a) Starred Questions :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Post-poned	No. of supplementary
20	13	--	1	24

The remaining starred questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule

38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

**(b) Unstarred Questions : 12**

**2. Announcement by the Speaker**

**(a) Panel of Chairmen**

The Hon'ble Speaker nominated the following Members on the Panel of Chairmen under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) :--

1. Shri Arunesh Kumar.
2. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
3. Sardar Sujan Singh
4. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam

(b) In pursuance of Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker reported that the Governor was pleased to address the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 9th March, 1999 at 2.30 P.M. under Article 176(1) of the Constitution of India.

A copy of the Address was laid on the Table of the House.

**3. Announcement by the Secretary**

The Secretary made the following announcement :--

"I lay on the Table a statement showing the Bills which were passed by the 11th Punjab Vidhan Sabha during its Sixth Session and which have been assented to by the Governor."

**4. Walk-out :**

All the Members of the Indian National Congress Party present in the House, staged a walk-out on the issue of demands of Teachers of recognised colleges and schools in the State. The Members belonging to Communist Party of India, Bahujan Samaj Party, Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann) and

Sardar Charanjit Singh Nawanshahar (Independent) also joined them and staged a walk-out.

#### **5. Decision regarding constitution of a Committee of the House :**

On the demand raised by the Treasury Benches that a Committee of the House be constituted to enquire into recruitment of Teachers made by the Opposition Party (Congress Government), the Hon'ble Speaker, with the consent of the House, decided to constitute a Committee of the House.

#### **6. Call Attention Notices :**

(1) Call Attention Notice (No.1) given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Saini, M.L.A., regarding illegal felling of valuable trees in the catchment area of Shahpur Kandi Project and in the adjoining green belt in Dhar Block in district Gurdaspur was admitted.

The Forest, Legal and Legislative Affairs Minister made a statement.

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 2) given notice of by Sardar Sher Singh Jalalabad, M.L.A., regarding discontentment amongst the public due to lesser supply of Kerosene in District Ferozepur as compared to other Districts of the State, was admitted.

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister made a statement.

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 5) given notice of by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A., regarding resentment amongst the workers employed in the State under various Projects under the I.C.D.S. Schemes, due to non-sanctioning of the said schemes by the Central Government, was admitted.

The Tourism and Cultural Affairs Minister made a statement.

#### **7. First Report of the Business Advisory Committee :**

The Speaker presented the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee to the House on the

programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from 11th March, 1999 to 30th March, 1999.

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister moved the following motion :—

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A., spoke for two minutes on the motion.

The motion was put and carried.

#### 8. Papers Laid on the Table :

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister laid the following papers on the Table :--

1. The Court Fees (Punjab Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of 1999), as required under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution.
2. The Salary and Allowances of Leader of Opposition in Legislative Assembly (First Amendment) Rules, 1999, as required under section 10(3) of the Salary and Allowances of Leader of Opposition in Legislative Assembly Act, 1978.
3. The Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Administration Report of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation for the year 1997-98.
4. The 18th Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1993-94, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
5. The Annual Reports of the Punjab Public Service Commission for the years from 1985-86 to 1995-96 alongwith memorandums, as required under Article 323(2) of the Constitution.

6. The 5th Annual Report of the Punjab State Forest Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1987-88, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
7. The 13th Annual Report of the Punjab Khadi and Village Industries Board for the year 1995-96.
8. The Administration Report of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation for the year 1995-96, alongwith Review, as required under section 35(3) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
9. The Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Report of the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1997-98.
10. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Small Industries and Export Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
11. The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab Urban Planning and Development Authority for the year 1996-97, as required under section 53(1) of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Act, 1995, read with Rule 19.
12. (i) the Annual Audit Report of Local Audit Wing, Punjab, Department of Finance, for the year 1995-96; and  
(ii) the Annual Administrative Report of Local Fund Audit Organisation, Punjab, Department of Finance, for the year 1996-97.

#### 9. Presentation of Report :

Shri Sat Pal Gosain, M.L.A., Chairman, Committee on Public Undertakings presented the 57th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1986-87 and 1992-93 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Electricity Board.



## 10. Discussion on Governor's Address :

SARDAR MANPREET SINGH BADAL, M.L.A., (Shiromani Akali Dal) moved that an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms:--

"That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 9th March, 1999.

and spoke for 36 minutes while doing so.

Shri Satya Pal Saini, M.L.A. (Bharatiya Janata Party) seconded the above motion and spoke for 18 minutes.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time indicated against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Sardar Amarjit Singh Samra (Indian National Congress)	23 Minutes
2.	Shri Tikshan Sood (Bharatiya Janata Party)	35 Minutes
3.	Sardar Gulzar Singh Ranike (Shiromani Akali Dal)	30 Minutes
4.	Shri Ram Lal (Bharatiya Janata Party)	08 Minutes

## 11. Point of Order :

Point of Order raised by Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, M.L.A., (Shiromani Akali Dal) was declared as 'No Point of Order.'

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.01 A.M. to 12.37 P.M. and from 12.42 P.M. to 1.03 P.M.

Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 12.37 P.M. to 12.42 P.M.

Shri Ram Lal, M.L.A., was still on his legs when the House adjourned till 2.30 P.M. on Thursday, the 11th March, 1999.

**BULLETIN NO. 3**

Thursday, the 11th March, 1999

(Afternoon Sitting)

(From 2.30 P.M. to 7.00 P.M.)

**1. Questions :**

**(a) Starred**

Total number of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Post-poned	No. of Supplementaries
20	15	--	2	33

The remaining starred questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

The supplementaries to starred question No. 1428 regarding repair of link roads in Tehsil Zira were decided to be postponed for the sitting to be held on 12th March, 1999.

**(b) Unstarred: 6**

**2. Walk-Out :**

All the Members of Indian National Congress Party, present in the House, staged a walk-out on the issue of auctioning of the liquor vends in the State at the lower price.

**3. Calling Attention Notices :**

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 8) given notice of by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A., regarding boycotting of examinations by Teachers of recognised schools and Government Aided Schools in the State as a protest against non-implementation of their already accepted demands by the Government was admitted.

The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister made a statement.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 10) given notice of by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, M.L.A., regarding the damage being caused to the crops due to water-logging in Sardulgarh Sub-Division, District Mansa was admitted.

The Minister of State for Irrigation made a statement.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 11) given notice of by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, M.L.A., regarding pollution affecting the health of the people living on the banks of the river Ghaggar due to Industrial Waste and untreated effluents being discharged into the river was admitted.

The Finance and Planning Minister made a statement.

#### 4. Presentation of Reports :

##### Committee on Public Accounts

Prof. Jagir Singh, Chairman of the Committee on Public Accounts presented the following Reports:--

1. 117th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1987-88, 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 (Civil) relating to the Agriculture Department;

2. 118th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1986-87, 1989-90 and 1990-91 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1986-87, 1989-90 and 1990-91 (Civil) relating to Forests Department; and

3. 119th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1992-93 and

1994-95 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1992-93 and 1994-95 (Civil) relating to Agriculture Department.

#### 5. Resolution :

The following Resolution given notice of by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. was moved by Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, M.L.A. (Communist Party of India)..

"This House recommends to the State Government to evolve a scheme for the construction of Shaheed-E-Azam Sardar Bhagat Singh Bhawans at Block-level in the State and provide special funds for the purpose."

and spoke for 18 minutes while doing so.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each:--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar (Indian National Congress)	10 Minutes
2.	Sardar Makhan Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	12 Minutes
3.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bharatiya Janata Party)	10 Minutes
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	15 Minutes
5.	Sardar Tota Singh (Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister)	17 Minutes
6.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party)	15 Minutes
7.	Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	09 Minutes
8.	Sardar Gurdeep Singh Bhullar (Shiromani Akali Dal)	14 Minutes
9.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (Bharatiya Janata Party)	10 Minutes

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
10.	Raja Narinder Singh (Public-Health and Civil Aviation Minister)	29 Minutes
11.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	15 Minutes
12.	Chaudhary Mohan Lal Behram (Shiromani Akali Dal)	06 Minutes

#### 6. Walk-out :

Members of the Communist Party of India, shortly before the adjournment of the House, staged a walk-out as a protest against non-acceptance of their view point raised in the resolution. The Members of the Congress Party, present in the House, also joined them and staged a walk out.

#### 7. Point of Order :

Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, M.L.A., sought to raise a point of order, which was declared as "No Point of Order" by the Chair.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4.07 P.M. to 6.52 P.M.

Chaudhary Mohan Lal Behram, M.L.A., was still on his legs when the House adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Friday, the 12th March, 1999.

#### BULLETIN NO. 4

**Friday, the 12th March, 1999**

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

#### 1. Questions :

At the outset, the supplementaries to starred question No. 1428, were asked as per decision taken on 11th March, 1999 (afternoon sitting) and thereafter, regular list of Starred Questions appearing in the list of Business was taken up.

**(a) Starred :**

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	14	1	4	37

Starred Question No. 1379 given notice of by Sardar Makhan Singh, M.L.A., regarding setting up of Technical University at Talwandi Sabo was withdrawn by the Member earlier.

Supplementaries to Starred Question No. 1369 regarding expenditure on advertisements given by the Health and Family Welfare Department were decided to be asked in the sitting to be held on the 17th March, 1999.

**(b) Unstarred : 4****2. Presentation of Reports :**

(1) The Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment presented the preliminary report of the Select Committee on the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998 and moved :—

"That time limit prescribed for presenting the Report of the Select Committee be extended upto 31st March, 1999."

The Motion was put before the House and carried.

**(ii) Committee on Public Undertakings**

The Chairman of the Committee on Public Undertakings, Shri Sat Pal Gosain presented the 58th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1998-99 on the general working of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Limited.

**3. Reply of the Chief Minister on the issue raised by Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal, M.L.A.**

In reply to issue raised by Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal alleging excesses committed on him by the Police, the Chief Minister stated that he would get the matter enquired from the Crimes Branch.

#### 4. Walk-Out :

All the Members of Indian National Congress Party, present in the House, staged a walk-out as a protest against not being allowed by the Chair to raise issue regarding death of Sardar Kundan Singh Aulakh, Chief Conservator of Forests.

#### 5. Personal Explanation :

The Minister for Forests and Legal and Legislative Affairs gave a personal explanation on the issue raised by Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta and Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, M.L.As, regarding death of Sardar Kundan Singh Aulakh, Chief Conservator of Forests.

#### 6. Walk-Out :

Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla staged a walk-out on not being allowed to speak during Zero-Hour.

#### 7. Resumption of discussion on Governor's Address :

The discussion on the following motion moved by Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, M.L.A., on the 11th March, 1999 (Morning-Sitting) and seconded by Shri Satya Pal Saini was resumed :

"That an address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :--

"That the Members of this House assembled in this session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the address which he was pleased to deliver to the House on the 9th March, 1999'."

Shri Ram Lal, M.L.A., (Bharatiya Janata Party) who was speaking on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address yesterday, the 11th March, 1999 (Morning-Sitting) resumed his speech and spoke for 32 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Minutes
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	1 Hour 33 Minutes



Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Minutes
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2.	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala (Shiromani Akali Dal)	39 Minutes
3.	Sardar Gurdeep Singh Bhullar (Shiromani Akali Dal)	17 Minutes
4.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party)	07 Minutes

### Points of Order :

Five Points of Order raised by Shri Romesh Chander Dogra were declared as "No Points of Order."

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.58 A.M. to 12.02 P.M.

Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 12.02 P.M. to 12.54 P.M.

Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla was still on her legs when the House adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Wednesday, the 17th March, 1999.

### BULLETIN NO. 5

Wednesday, the 17th March, 1999

(From 2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)

### 1. Questions :

At the outset two supplementaries to Starred Question No. 1369 were asked as per decision taken in the sitting on 12th March, 1999 and thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

### (a) Starred :

Total No. of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
20	15	--	--	33



The remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly).

Supplementaries to Starred Question No. 1508 regarding upgradation of Mini Primary Health Centre, Mullanpur Dakha were decided to be taken up before regular list of Starred Questions on 18th March, 1999 (M.S.)

**(b) Short Notice Question :**

The Short Notice Starred Question No. 1615 regarding shifting of Divisional Office of Punjab State Tubewell Corporation from Pathankot to Gurdaspur given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Saini was taken up. No supplementaries were asked thereon.

**(c) Unstarred Questions : 13**

**2. Statement by the Chief Minister :**

**(i) In reply to issue regarding Court arrests of teachers raised by Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla:**

The Chief Minister, while replying to issue of Court arresting the teachers raised by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, informed that he had already personally requested the Home Secretary, Union Territory Administration, Chandigarh to release the arrested teachers and the Government is seriously considering the matter relating to the dues of teachers.

**(ii) In reply to the issue raised by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar regarding filling up of S.Y.L. Canal.**

In reply to the issue regarding filling up of S.Y.L. Canal raised by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, the Chief Minister announced that no water from the canal will be allowed to be given. So there is no need to raise the issue of filling up of S.Y.L. Canal and asked him to abandon his programme.

**3. Walk-out(s) :**

(i) All the Members of the Indian National Congress Party, present in the House, staged a walk out as a protest against not listening to Chaudhary Jagjit Singh fully on the issue regarding the demands of the teachers.

(ii) The Members of the Communist Party of India staged a walk-out shortly before the adjournment of the House, as a protest against not being allotted due time on the discussion on Governor's Address.

#### 4. Suggestion by the Finance and Planning Minister:

The Minister for Finance and Planning, while drawing the attention towards a historical and important decision taken on 16th March, 1999, suggested that the Chief Minister should be felicitated on conferring honour upon Bibi Jagir Kaur, a Member of the Council of Ministers, the Member of this House and a Member of the Backward Classes by getting her elected as President of the Shiromani Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee during the International Women's Day Celebrations and also the Tercentenary Celebrations of Khalsa in April. He also gave suggestion that Bibi Jagir Kaur, who is also a Member of the House, be also felicitated on her being elected as President of S.G.P.C.

#### 5. Call Attention Notices :

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 14) given notice of by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. regarding resentment amongst the Teachers of Government aided Private Colleges due to the decision of the Government to provide only fixed grants to such colleges instead of 95% grant scheme, was admitted.

The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister made a statement.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 15) given notice of by Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta and Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.As, regarding non-lifting of 40 Lakh Tonnes of Wheat of last year lying in the open as well as in the Stores, which is likely to create difficulty in storing the new arrivals of wheat crop in the market within a few days, was admitted.

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister made a statement.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 17) given notice of by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. regarding inadequate supply of Kerosene from ration depots to the

General Public in the State resulting in black-marketing of the said commodity was admitted.

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister made a statement.

#### 6. Resumption of Discussion on Governor's Address :

Discussion on the following Motion moved by Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, M.L.A., and seconded by Shri Satya Pal Saini, M.L.A., on the 11th March, 1999 (Morning-Sitting).

'That an address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :--

"That the Members of this House assembled in this session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 9th March, 1999'."

was resumed.

Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party) who was on her legs on 12th March, 1999, resumed her speech and spoke for 11 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	24 Minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	14 Minutes
3.	Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra (Shiromani Akali Dal)	32 Minutes
4.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bharatiya Janata Party)	31 Minutes
5.	Sardar Bhag Singh Malla (Shiromani Akali Dal)	24 Minutes
6.	Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana (Shiromani Akali Dal)	12 Minutes
7.	Sardar Sujan Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	14 Minutes
8.	Captain Balbir Singh Bath (Shiromani Akali Dal)	11 Minutes

### 7. Point of Order :

A Point of Order raised by Minister of State for Higher Secondary and Primary Education (Chaudhary Swarna Ram) was declared as "No Point of Order."

Sardar Sujan Singh, a Member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 3.41 P.M. to 4.40 P.M.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4.40 P.M. to 6.27 P.M.

Captain Balbir Singh Bath was still on his legs when the House adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 18th March, 1999.

### BULLETIN NO. 6

Thursday, the 18th March, 1999

(Morning Sitting)

(From 9.00 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.)

### 1. Questions :

At the outset, supplementaries to Starred Question No. 1508 were asked as per decision taken in the sitting held on 17th March, 1999 and thereafter, regular list for starred questions appearing in the List of Business was taken up.

#### (a) Starred :

Total No. of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	post-poned	No. of supplementaries
20	14	3	1	32

The remaining starred questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

Supplementaries to Starred Question No. 1552 regarding construction of link roads in Sub-Division, Abohar were decided to be asked in the sitting to be held on the 19th March, 1999.

**(b) Short-Notice Questions :**

The short-notice Starred Question No. 1614 given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Saini regarding shifting the office of Executive Engineer, Public Works Department (Building and Roads) was taken up and one supplementary was asked thereon.

**(c) Unstarred Questions : 18**

**2. Statement by the Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister on the issue raised by Chaudhary Jagjit Singh and Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.As.**

In reply to issue raised by Chaudhary Jagjit Singh and Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi regarding auctioning of the octroi; allotment of octroi on contract and increase in the rates of octroi upto 400 to 500 per cent to Municipal Committee, Bhatinda and Lathi-charge on the people staging dharna in protest, the Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister, while describing the allegation as wrong, stated that octroi has been given on contract as per decision taken by the Government led by Congress Party in 1994.

The Minister further stated that there had been increase in rates of Octroi upto 33% during the last year and during this year there had been increase upto 65%. The Minister for Local Government described the allegation of increased octroi rates upto 400 or 500 times as baseless and said that octroi rates were increased in accordance with the resolution passed unanimously in regard to luxury goods.

**3. Walk-out(s) :**

All the Members of the Indian National Congress Party, present in the House, staged a walk out in protest against not replying by the Minister concerned, on the issue of octroi in Municipal Committee, Bathinda raised by Chaudhary Jagjit Singh.

Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar [Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)] staged a walk out on the issue of lowering of the morale of police.

The Member of C.P.I. staged a walk-out alleging that the Government have backed-out from their promises, excessive burden have been put on

the people and the Government have failed on every front.

Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bhartiya Janata Party), Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Bikramjeet Singh Khalsa and Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura (Shiromani Akali Dal) staged a walk out as a protest against not being allowed to speak during the zero hour.

Shortly before the adjournment of the sitting the members of Indian National Congress present in the House, staged a walk-out alleging that the Government does not want to pass the resolution. The members of Communist Party of India and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar [Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)] also joined them and staged a walk-out.

#### 4. Papers laid on the Table :

Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister laid the following papers on the Table :--

1. The statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts/Reports of the Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the years 1992-93 to 1997-98.
2. The Annual Financial Statement of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1999-2000, as required under section 61 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
3. The Audit Reports on the Accounts of Punjab Financial Corporation for the years 1990-91 to 1992-93.
4. The 6th Annual Report of the Punjab State Forests Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1988-89, alongwith statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Report for the year 1997-98 as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

#### 5. Presentation of Reports :

##### (1) Committee on Public Accounts :

Prof. Jagir Singh, Chairman, Committee on Public Accounts presented the 120th Report of the



Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1993-94 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1993-94 (Civil) relating to Irrigation Department.

**(ii) Committee on Public-Undertakings :**

Shri Sat Pal Gosain, Chairman, Committee on Public Undertakings presented the 59th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1990-91, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd., Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd., Punjab Financial Corporation and Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd.

**(iii) Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes**

Sardar Sujan Singh, Chairman of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes presented the 23rd Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 1998-99, in respect of the reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in services and posts in respect of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd.

**6. Resolution :**

The following Resolution given notice of by Shri Harminder Singh Jassi (Indian National Congress) :--

"This House recommends to the State Government to review its current welfare schemes for upliftment of S.Cs and B.Cs in the State and take steps for effective implementation of such schemes."

could not be moved on account of absence of the Member from the House.

2. Dr. Harbans Lal (Indian National Congress) moved the following resolution :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to review its current welfare schemes for the upliftment of S.Cs and B.Cs in the State and take steps for effective implementation of such schemes."

and while doing so, spoke for 29 minutes. The following Members took part in the discussion on the resolution and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta (Communist Party of India)	34 Minutes
2	Sardar Makhan Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	33 Minutes
3	Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	18 Minutes
4	Smt. Roop Rani (Bhartiya Janata Party)	08 Minutes
5	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar [Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)]	18 Minutes
6	Smt. Mohinder Kaur (Shiromani Akali Dal)	11 Minutes
7	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bhartiya Janata Party)	10 Minutes
8	Sardar Gurdeep Singh Bhullar (Shiromani Akali Dal)	15 Minutes

Sardar Gurdeep Singh Bhullar was still on his legs when the House adjourned.



### 7. Points of Order :

Points of Order raised by the following members were declared as 'No points of order' :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	No. of points of order declared as 'No points of order'
1	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	01
2	Minister for Forests and Legal and Legislative Affairs (Master Mohan Lal)	01

Sardar Sujan Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 10.36 A.M. to 1.16 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 2.30 P.M. on Thursday, the 18th March, 1999.

### BULLETIN NO. 7

Thursday, the 18th March, 1999

(Afternoon Sitting)

(From 2.30 P.M. to 4.59 P.M.)

### 1. Questions :

(a) Starred

Total No. of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
20	15	4	1	36

### (b) Short Notice Question :

A Short Notice Starred Question No. 1600 regarding shifting of Hare and Sheep Breeding Farm given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Saini was taken up and one supplementary was asked thereon.

## (c) Unstarred Questions : 18

## 2. Financial Business :

## Supplementary Demands :

The Finance Minister presented the Supplementary Demands for Grants for expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1998-99.

## Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands:

Sardar Hira Singh, Gabria, Chairman, Committee on Estimates presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1998-99.

## Discussion and voting on Grants and Supplementary Demands for the expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1998-99:

The Speaker informed the House that there were 25 Supplementary Demands for grants for discussion on voting. The Speaker sought leave of the House in respect of all the demands on the order paper i.e. (Demand Nos. 1,2,3,4,5,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,21,23,25,26,27,29 and 30) for being read and moved together to which the House granted its leave.

All the demands were deemed to have been read and moved together and the Members, who wanted to take part in the discussion, were asked to mention the number of particular demand on which they wanted to speak.

The following Members, while taking part in the discussion on all the demands (25 Supplementary Demands), spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. Name of Members No.	Time
1 Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	48 Minutes
2 Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	20 Minutes

The Minister for Finance and Planning, by way of reply, spoke for 12 minutes.

All the demands (Demand Nos. 1,2,3,4,5,7,8,9, 10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,21,23,25,26,27,29 and 30), with the consent of House, were put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 3. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1999.

The Minister for Finance and Planning introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No.1) Bill, 1999 and moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1999 be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Then the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Schedule

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 1

Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Minister for Finance and Planning moved that--

"The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 1999 be passed."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 4. Personal Explanation.

On 18th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting) Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, while raising the issue of lowering down the morale of police and making reference of Shahkot tragedy, also made a reference to the death of a nephew of a Minister. Sardar Ajit Singh Kohar, Minister of State for Agriculture, who was not present in the House in the morning sitting, while giving his personal explanation in the afternoon sitting, on 18th March, 1999 said that the referred incidents had happened in his constituency Lohian and the news about which appeared in the Press describing the victims as the relatives of "Jathedar Kohar". While contradicting the news items, he said that the victims were not at all related to him even from distant relations. They were related to him as much as they were related to other Punjabis. Whatever he had done for them, he did by way of sympathy.

#### 5. Points of order.

The points of order raised by the following members were declared as 'No points of order' :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	No. of points of order declared as 'No points of order'
1	Minister of State for Agriculture (Sardar Ajit Singh Kohar).	01
2	Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister (Sardar Tota Singh)	01

Sardar Sujan Singh, a member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 3.30 P.M. to 4.13 P.M.

The House then, adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Friday the 19th March, 1999.

**BULLETIN NO. 8**

Friday, 19th March, 1999

(From 9.00 A.M. to 2.09 P.M.)

**1. Questions :**

At the outset four supplementaries were asked on Starred Questions No. 1552 as per decision taken on 18th March, 1999 (Morning sitting). Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions for the day was taken up.

**(a) Starred Questions :**

Total No. of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of supplementaries
26	13	1	4	32

The remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

**(b) Unstarred Questions : 5****(2) Statements by the Chief Minister on the issues raised by the Members.**

(i) In reply to the issue, raised by Chaudhary Jagjit Singh, that despite the power shortage in the State of Punjab, as a result of which industry is being closed, the electricity is being supplied to Tamil Nadu State by describing the power in the State as surplus, the Chief Minister stated that surplus electricity is supplied to the other States and is taken from others. While citing the example of Himachal Pradesh, the Chief Minister stated that the State of Himachal requires electricity during winters and power is given to that State. Similarly, during summers the power is given to us when we require for sowing the paddy. He assured that no power would be supplied after imposing power cut in the State.

(ii) The Chief Minister, in reply to the issue of misbehaviour with the Dalits, raised by Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, Chaudhary Jagjit Singh and Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, stated that generally he asks the concerned S.S.P. to enquire into immediately as and when incidents are published in the newspapers. He informed the House that he has asked the concerned S.S.P. to apprise him of the facts of the incident which Chaudhari Jagjit Singh has just mentioned. On receipt of the report and facts, same would be forwarded to Chaudhari Jagjit Singh.

(iii) As regards the issue of strike by the workers of D.C.M. Mills, Amritsar, raised by Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, the Chief Minister stated that he had already deputed the Labour Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioner for immediate enquiry when the deputation met him. The Labour Commissioner had already visited the place and had sought the help of the Deputy Commissioner. I would ask the Deputy Commissioner today so that both these Officers may bring the parties at compromise. He also requested the members of C.P.I. to co-operate so that they may arrive at any compromise with their co-operation.

### **3. Presentation of Report(s) :**

#### **(i) Committee on Public Undertakings :**

Shri Sat Pal Gosain, Chairman of the Committee on Public Undertakings, presented the 60th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1998-99 on the General Working of the Punjab Financial Corporation.

#### **(ii) Committee on Subordinate Legislation :**

Shri Satya Pal Saini, Chairman, Committee on Subordinate Legislation presented the 28th Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year 1998-99.

#### **(iii) Committee on Papers laid/to be laid on the Table :**

Sardar Tara Singh Ladla, Chairman, Committee on papers laid/to be laid on the Table presented the 10th Report of the Committee on Papers laid/to be laid on the Table for the year 1998-99.

## (iv) Committee on Government Assurances :

Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, Chairman, Committee on Government Assurances, presented the 32nd Report of the Committee on Government Assurances, for the year 1998-99.

#### 4. Resumption of Discussion on the Governor's Address and voting on Motion of Thanks :

Discussion on the following motion moved by Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA, and seconded by Shri Satya Pal Saini, MLA, on 11th March, 1999 :--

"That an address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :--

'That the members of this House assembled in this session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 9th March, 1999.'".

was resumed and notice of amendment thereto given by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta which was deemed to have been read and moved, was discussed alongwith the motion.

Capt. Balbir Singh Bath (Shiromani Akali Dal) who was on his legs when the House adjourned on 17th March, 1999 resumed his speech and spoke for 14 minutes.

The following Members, while participating in the discussion, spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora (Indian National Congress)	18 Minutes
2	Sardar Sadhu Singh Baghapurana (Shiromani Akali Dal)	4 Minutes
3	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann))	14 Minutes



Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
4	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	19 Minutes
5	Sardar Natha Singh Dalam (Shiromani Akali Dal)	23 Minutes
6	Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	18 Minutes
7	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	24 Minutes

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for one hour and 35 minutes.

The amendment to the motion of thanks to Governor's Address given notice of by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta MLAs was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The following motion,--

"That an address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :--

'That the members of the House assembled in this session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 9th March, 1999."

was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 5. Extension of sitting :

The Speaker, with the consent of the House, extended the time of the sitting till the finish of speech by the Chief Minister/business on the order paper.



### 6. Points of Order :

The points of order raised by the following members were declared as No Points of Order :--

Sr. No.	Name of the member	No. of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order'.
1	The Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education (Sardar Tota Singh)	01
2	The Minister for Health and Family Welfare (Shri Manoranjan Kalia)	02
3	Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora	01
4	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	01
5	Shri Jagdish Sawhney	01

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.19 A.M. to 12.05 P.M.

The House, then, adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on 24th March, 1999.

### SPECIAL BULLETIN NO. I

#### GENERAL DISCUSSION ON GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

Discussion on the Motion of thanks to the Governor's Address took place on four days i.e. 11th March, 1999, (Morning Sitting), 12th March, 1999, 17th March, 1999, and 19th March, 1999 lasting for 12 Hours and 20 Minutes.

Details of the time taken by the various parties/groups are as under :--

Sr. No.	Party/Group	No. of Members who took part in the discussion	Time Taken	
			Hours	Minutes
1.	Treasury Benches	18	8	31
2.	Indian National Congress	04	2	38
3.	Communist Party of India	01	0	14
4.	Bahujan Samaj Party	01	0	19

Sr. Party/Group No.	No. of Members who took part in the discussion	Time Taken	
		Hours	Minutes
5. Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)	01	0	14
6. Independents	01	0	24

**Note .--**Time taken by the Treasury Benches also includes the time taken by the Chief Minister, who spoke for one hour and 35 minutes.

\*The Treasury Benches include the Members of Shiromani Akali Dal and Bhartiya Janata Party.

### BULLETIN NO. 9

Wednesday, 24th March, 1999

(From 10.00 A.M. to 1.10 P.M.)

#### 1. Questions :

##### (a) Postponed Starred Questions :

First of all the list of Postponed Starred Questions was taken up.

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of supplementaries
4	2	--	2	7

Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

##### (b) Starred Questions :

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of supplementaries
20	16	3	1	27

Supplementaries to Starred Question No. 1504 regarding starting of classes in Government Medical College, Jalandhar were decided to be taken up on 26th March, 1999 before taking up the regular list of Starred Questions for the day.

## 2. Walk-out

Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (BJP) staged a walk-out as a protest against not being allowed to speak.

## 3. Adjournment of the House :

The House was adjourned with the consent of the House twice i.e. from 11.00 A.M. to 11.15 A.M. and again from 11.15 A.M. to 11.30 A.M. due to non-availability of printed copies of Budget Speech for the year 1999-2000 to be delivered by the Minister for Finance and Planning, in time, in the Vidhan Sabha Secretariat for distribution amongst the Hon'ble Members.

## 4. Presentation of Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000

The Finance and Planning Minister presented the Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000 and spoke for one hour and forty minutes while presenting the Budget Estimates.

The House was, then, adjourned till 11.00 A.M. on Friday the 26th March, 1999.

### BULLETIN NO. 10

Friday, the 26th March, 1999

(11.00 A.M. to 5.31 P.M.)

## 1. Questions

At the outset a supplementary to Starred Question No. 1504 was asked as per decision taken in the sitting held on 24th March, 1999 and there-

after, the regular list of Starred Questions for the day was taken up.

**(a) Starred**

Total number of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of supplemen- taries
20	14	--	--	35

The remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly).

**(b) Short Notice Question**

Short Notice Starred Question No. 1656 regarding recruitment of Panchayat Secretaries given notice of by Shri Arunesh Kumar could not be asked due to the absence of the member from the House.

**(c) Unstarred Questions : Nil**

**2. Walk out**

During the Question Hour, Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Chaudhary Jagjit Singh alleged that the Finance and Planning Minister was not giving correct reply to Question No. 1446 and their rights were being curbed. In spite of being informed by the Speaker repeatedly that the matter cannot be discussed being sub judice, all the member of Indian National Congress Party, present in the House, Members of the Communist Party of India and Shri Charanjit Singh Nawanshahar (Independent) staged a walk-out. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, Shiromni Akali Dal (Mann) also joined them in the walk out but did not go out of the House as the next question on the list which was in his name was to be taken up.

All the Members of the Indian National Congress Party, present in the House staged a walk out on the issue that bills were not being passed by the treasuries in the State in respect of amounts got

sanctioned from the House through supplementary demands. They also expressed apprehension that the employees would not be disbursed their salaries on first day of the next month.

### **3. Statement by the Chief Minister on points raised by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. :**

The Chief Minister, while giving a statement in reply to the issue raised by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi regarding involvement of police in two different cases in Ludhiana and Jalandhar, said that the person referred to by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi in Ludhiana case, was not a member of S.G.P.C. However, the Inspector of Police, D.S.P. and S.P. of Ludhiana have since been transferred. The D.I.G. (Police) has been deputed to look into the matter deeply.

As regards Jalandhar episode, the Chief Minister told that the Police Officers have also been transferred and efforts were being made to examine the matter thoroughly.

### **4. Calling Attention Notice(s)**

(1) Call Attention Notice (No. 33) given notice of by Captain Balbir Singh Bath, M.L.A. regarding poor performance on the part of Primary School Teachers due to non-conducting of checks by the BEOs and DEOs in the State, was admitted.

**The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister made a statement.**

(2) Call Attention Notice (No. 35) given notice of by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. regarding non-availability of sugar to the people at Fair Price Shops in the State particularly in Amritsar was admitted.

**The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister made a statement.**

(3) Call Attention Notice (No. 36) given notice of by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. regarding shortage of potable water in Amritsar City even in the month of March, 1999, was admitted.

The Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister made a statement.

### 5. Papers Laid on the Table

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister laid the following papers on the Table of the House :--

- (1) Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts/Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1997-98.
- (2) Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of Pepsu Road Transport Corporation for the year 1997-98.

### 6. Presentation of Reports

Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh, a member of the Committee on Estimates presented :--

- (i) The Report of Committee on Estimates for the year 1998-99 in respect of Home Affairs and Justice Department (Police).
- (ii) The Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1998-99 in respect of Local Government Department.

### 7. The Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000

General discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000 :

Chaudhary Jagjit Singh, M.L.A resumed General Discussion on Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000. He was still on his legs when the House adjourned till 2.30 P.M. on 26th March, 1999 for lunch. The Member would resume his speech when the House would reassemble at 2.30 P.M.

Chaudhary Jagjit Singh who was on his legs before the lunch break resumed his speech.

He spoke for one hour and nineteen minutes.

Thereafter the following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India )	.. 43 Minutes
2.	Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal (Shiromani Akali Dal)	.. 29 Minutes
3.	Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	.. 27 Minutes
4.	Shri Tikshan Sud (Bhartiya Janata Party)	.. 26 Minutes
5.	Sardar Makhan Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	.. 31 Minutes

Sardar Makhan Singh was still on his legs when the House adjourned. He would resume his speech on 27th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting).

#### 8. Points of Order :

Points of Order raised by the following members were declared as 'No Points of Order' :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	No. of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order.'
1	Shri Ram Lal	.. 01
2	The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister (Shri Madan Mohan Mittal)	.. 01

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 12.37 P.M. to 1.30 P.M., from 3.12 P.M. to 3.57 P.M. and from 4.00 P.M. till the adjournment of the sitting.

Shri Arunesh Kumar, a Member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 3.57 P.M. to 4.00 P.M.

The House, then, adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Saturday the 27th March, 1999.

### BULLETIN NO. 11

Saturday, the 27th March, 1999

(Morning Sitting)

(9.00-A.M. to 2.19 P.M.)

#### 1. Questions :

##### (a) Starred

Total No. of Questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of supplementaries
20.	11	1	--	41

The remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under rule 38 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly).

##### (b) Short-Notice Question

A Short-Notice Starred Question No. 1656 regarding recruitment of Panchayat Secretaries given notice of by Shri Arunesh Kumar was taken-up. Two supplementaries were asked thereon.

##### (c) Unstarred : 4.

#### 2. Calling Attention Notice(s) :

(i) Call Attention Notice (No. 41) given notice of by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding steep rise in the price of wheat flour resulting in difficulty being faced by a common man to pull on life, was admitted.

The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement.

(ii) Call Attention Notice (No. 42) given notice of by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, regarding non-payment of wages and salaries to the workers/employees of PUNWIRE for the last two months, was admitted.



The Minister of State for Elections and Industries made a statement.

(iii) Call Attention Notice (No. 43) given notice of by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, regarding danger to the residents and crops of a large area of Sub-Division, Sardulgarh, District Mansa due to damage caused to the lining of the Main Bhakra Canal crossing through the said Sub-division was admitted.

The Minister of State for Irrigation made a statement.

### 3. Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Speaker presented the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee in the House.

The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved the following motion :--

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the second report of the Business Advisory Committee."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 4. The Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000 :

#### Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000

Sardar Makhan Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal), who was still on his legs when the House adjourned on the 26th March, 1999, while resuming general discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000, spoke for 24 minutes.

Besides, the following members took part in the discussion on the Budget Estimates and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar [Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)]	21 Minutes
2.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	25 Minutes

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
3.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (Bhartiya Janata Party)	23 Minutes
4.	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala (Shiromani Akali Dal)	02 Minutes
5.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bhartiya Janata Party)	09 Minutes
6.	Sardar Ajaypal Singh Mirankot (Shiromani Akali Dal)	08 Minutes
7.	Shri Arunesh Kumar (Bhartiya Janata Party)	01 Minute
8.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	12 Minutes
9.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bhartiya Janata Party)	12 Minutes
10.	Sardar Ranjeet Singh Chhajjalwadi (Shiromani Akali Dal)	12 Minutes
11.	Sardar Ajaib Singh Mukhmailpura (Shiromani Akali Dal)	12 Minutes

The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 57 minutes.

#### 5. Extension of the Time

The Speaker, with the consent of the House extended the time of the sitting of the House till the finish of speech by the Finance Minister.

#### 6. Walk-out(s)

(i) Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta (SAD) staged a walk-out from the House as a protest against reference made by S. Ajaib Singh Mukhmailpura about S.G.P.C. while taking part in the general discussion on the Budget Estimates.

(ii) Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira (SAD), staged a walk-out against the orders of the Chair for not allowing him to speak which he started

simultaneously when the Finance and Planning Minister had started replying the General Discussion on the Budget Estimates. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa and Shrimati Daljit Kaur (SAD), also joined him in the walk-out.

### 7. Points of Order

The points of order raised by the following members were declared as "No Points of Order" :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	No. of points of order declared as "No Points of Order"
1	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	01
2	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta	01

It was decided, with the consent of the House, that afternoon sitting of the House on 27th March, 1999 would be held at 3.00 P.M. instead of 2.30 P.M.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 10.48 A.M. to 1.01 P.M.

The House, then adjourned, till 3.00 P.M. on Saturday the 27th March, 1999.

### SPECIAL BULLETIN NO. 2

#### General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000

General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000 took place on two days i.e. 26th March, 1999 and 27th March, 1999 (Morning Sitting) lasting for 7 hours and 33 minutes. Details of the time taken by the various parties/groups are as under :--

Sr. No.	Party/Group	No. of members who took part in the discussion	Time taken Hours Minutes
1.	*Treasury Benches	12	4--33

Sr. No.	Party/Group	No. of members who took part in the discussion	Time taken	
			Hours	Minutes
2	Indian National Congress	02	1--	44
3	Communist Party of India	01	0--	43
4	Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)	01	0--	21
5	Bahujan Samaj Party	01	0--	12
6	Independents	..	..	..

**Note .--**Time taken by the Treasury Benches also includes the time taken by the Finance Minister, who spoke for 57 minutes.

\*The Treasury Benches include the members of the Shiromani Akali Dal and the Bhartiya Janata Party.

### BULLETIN NO. 12

**(Saturday, the 27th March, 1999)**

**(Afternoon Sitting)**

**(From 3.00 P.M. to 6.38 P.M.)**

#### 1. Questions :

##### (a) Starred

No. of Questions on order paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
20	16	--		38

Remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly).

Supplementaries to the Starred Question No. 1546 regarding recovery of loans given for the construction of Cricket Stadium at Mohali and the Starred Question No. 1547 regarding allotment of land for Cricket Stadium at Mohali were decided to be asked in the sitting to be held on 30th March, 1999 and thereafter the regular list of Starred Questions of that day will be taken up.

**(b) Un-starred--Nil**

**2. Call Attention Notice (s) :**

(i) Call Attention Notice (No. 44) given notice of by Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, MLA and Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, MLA regarding discontentment amongst the residents of village Theri, district Muktsar as per force they have to drink polluted water due to mixing of potable water with sullage water (sam water) was admitted.

The Minister for Public Health and Civil Aviation made a statement.

(ii) Call Attention Notice (No. 47) given notice of by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, MLA and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta MLA regarding inconvenience being faced by the students due to noise pollution created by orchestras in marriage palaces, was admitted.

The Minister for Finance and Planning made a statement.

(iii) Call Attention Notice (No. 49), given notice of by Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, MLA and Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, MLA regarding non-payment of wages to thousands of workers of P.W.D., (Public Health) since December, 1998 was admitted.

The Minister for Public Health and Civil Aviation made a statement.

**3. Presentation of Report (s) :**

**(i) Committee on Public Undertakings**

Shri Sat Pal Gosain, Chairman, Committee on Public Undertakings presented the 61st Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year

1998-99 on the General working of Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Limited.

(ii) Select Committee :

Shri Balramji Dass Tandon (Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment), Chairman, Select Committee, presented the Report of the Select Committee on the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998.

4. Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants relating to Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000.

The Speaker sought leave of the House to the extent that the demand Nos. 15, 12, 5 and 29 entered in the list of Business shall be deemed to have been read and moved to which the House granted its leave. It was also decided that all the four demands will be discussed together and the Hon'ble Members will mention the number of the demand on which they would like to speak.

Demand No. 15 relating to Irrigation and Power, Demand No. 12 relating to Home and Justice, Demand No. 5 relating to Education and the Demand No. 29 relating to Transport were discussed together and following members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time taken
1-	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	21 Minutes
2	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala (Shiromani Akali Dal)	24 Minutes
3	Shri Satya Pal Saini, (Bharatiya Janata Party)	08 Minutes
4	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bharatiya Janata Party)	10 Minutes
5	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, (Communist Party of India)	19 Minutes

The Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education, Minister for Transport and Minister of State for Irrigation spoke, by way of reply, for 30 minutes, 7 minutes and 23 minutes respectively.

Demand No. 15 relating to Irrigation and Power, Demand No. 12 relating to Home and Justice, Demand No. 5 relating to Education and Demand No. 29 relating to Transport were put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 5. Points of Order :

Points of order raised by following Members were declared as 'No Points of Order' :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	No. of Points of Order declared as 'No Point of Order'
1	Minister of State for Food and Supplies (Shri Chiranji Lal Garg)	01
2	Shri Harminder Singh Jassi	02
3	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	01

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4.14 P.M. to 5.24 P.M.

The House then, adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on 30th March, 1999.

#### BULLETIN NO. 13

*Tuesday 30th March, 1999*

*(From 2.00 P.M. to 4.39 P.M.)*

#### 1. Questions :

At the outset, five supplementaries were asked on Starred Question No. 1546 regarding recovery of loans given for the construction of Cricket Stadium at Mohali and Starred Question No. 1547 regarding allotment of land for Cricket Stadium at Mohali as per decision taken on 27th

March, 1999 (After-noon Sitting). Thereafter the list of postponed starred questions was taken-up :--

**(a) Postponed Starred Question**

No. of questions on order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of supplementaries
7	6	1	--	22

Then the regular list of Starred Questions for the day was taken up.

**(b) Starred Questions**

No. of questions on order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of supplementaries
20	7	--	1	13

Remaining starred questions on the order paper deemed to have been answered under rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly).

**(c) Unstarred Questions : Nil**

**2. Dharna**

All the members of the Congress Party present in the House while showing black badges, were demanding a statement from the Chief Minister on the issue of hunger strike resorted to by retrenched teachers. Despite clarification by the Speaker that the Chief Minister had already made a statement in this regard, they insisted on their demand and staged a dharna in the well of the House. The Chief Minister informed the House that the Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education was going to make a statement on the issue and, if need be, he would also make statement. Thereupon all the members of Congress Party resumed their seats.



**3. Statement by the Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education on the point raised by the members of Congress Party :**

The Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education, in view of the demand raised, made a statement, with details on the issue of hunger strike resorted to by the teachers retrenched from the service.

**4. Statement by the Chief Minister on the points raised by certain members :**

(i) Sardar Sujan Singh and Sardar Makhan Singh, M.L.As. raised the issue of release of remaining grant out of the total grant of Rs. 35 lakh sanctioned for setting up of Maharishi Balmiki Chair in the Punjabi University at Patiala, out of which a sum of Rs. 10 Lakh only has since been released. In reply thereto, the Chief Minister said that the remaining grant of Rs. 25 lakh would also be released.

(ii) Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, Sardar Makhan Singh, Chaudhary Jagjit Singh and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, M.L.As. raised the point regarding staging of Dharna by the writers and litterateurs demanding introduction of Punjabi in Government Offices. The Chief Minister in a Statement on the issue, informed that the Speaker has got the Punjabi language introduced in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha and he would also get instructions issued to the Government employees through the Chief Secretary that all the official work be done in Punjabi.

(iii) The Chief Minister, in reply to the issue raised by Chaudhary Jagjit Singh, M.L.A. regarding privatisation of transport by ignoring nationalization in the State, informed that the same formula which was adopted earlier on the issue, was followed as the transport policy has been framed after examining all the aspects in consultation with a number of Trade Unions.

(iv) On a reference made by Sardar Dhanwant Singh, M.L.A., to an incident involving one Mr. Dhillon and the residents of Village Mullanpur Garib Dass, district Ropar, the Chief Minister asked the member to hand over the relevant papers pertaining

to the said incident to him and he would get the enquiry conducted into the incident by the Vigilance or Crime Branch.

(v) On the issue of hunger strike by retrenched teachers raised by certain members, the Chief Minister informed that the Education Minister had already made a detailed statement in this regard. He further stated that he had hundred times more sympathy with the teachers than the sympathy which the members from the opposition benches have with them. The Chief Minister also informed the House that he has convened the meeting of Education Minister, Chief Secretary, Education Secretary, Legal Remembrancer and the Director of Public Instructions and has asked them to find out a solution to the issue.

The Chief Minister expressed hope that they would find some legal solution to the problem.

#### 4. Call Attention Notice(s)

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 56) given notice of by Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta and Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. regarding non-payment of stipend to students belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes studying in Government Schools due to non-appointment of D.D.Os resulting in lapse of grants allocated for the purpose, was admitted.

The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister made a statement.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 57) given notice of by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A., regarding exhaustion of stocks of medicines for the treatment of Tuberculosis in the Hospital attached to the Government Medical College, Amritsar was put by Shri Tikshan Sud, M.L.A., as she was not present in the House, was admitted.

The Finance and Planning Minister made a statement.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 58) given notice of by Shri Romesh Chander Dogra, was not put as he was not present in the House.

## 5. Motion under Rule 16 :

The Food and supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister moved that :--

"The Vidhan Sabha at its rising this day shall stand adjourned sine-die."

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

## 6. Presentation of Reports :

### (i) Committee on Public Accounts

Professor Jagir Singh, Chairman, Committee on Public Accounts presented the 121st Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1987-88 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1987-88 (Civil) relating to Social Welfare Department.

### (ii) Committee on Estimates

Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Chairman, Committee on Estimates, presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1998-99 in respect of Irrigation Department, Punjab.

## 7. Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants relating to the Budget Estimates for the year 1999-2000.

The Speaker informed the House that there were 26 demands for grants for discussion and voting. The Speaker sought leave of the House in respect of all the demands on the order paper i.e. Demand No. 1,2,3,4,6,7,8,9,10,11,13,14,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23, 24,25,26,27,28 and 30 for being read and moved together to which the House granted its leave.

Demands were deemed to have been read and moved. He requested the members that while taking part in the discussion they should mention the number of the particular demand on which they would like to speak. He informed that under rule 168(4) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, guillotine would be applied at 5.00 P.M.

The following Members, while taking part in the discussion on all the Demands (26 Demands) spoke for the time indicated against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora (Indian National Congress)	06 Minutes
2	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala (Shiromani Akali Dal)	10 Minutes
3	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	15 Minutes

All the Demands, (Demands No. 1,2,3,4,6,7,8, 9,10,11,13,14,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28 & 30) were, with the consent of the House, put to the vote of the House together and carried.

## 8. Financial Business

### The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1999

The Finance and Planning Minister introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No.2) Bill, 1999 and also moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No.2) Bill, 1999 be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

### Clause-2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Clause-3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Schedule

Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause-1**

Clause-1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Finance and Planning Minister moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 1999 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**9. Legislative Business :****1. The Court Fees (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1999 (Replacing Ordinance)**

The Minister of State for Public Relations and Revenue and Rehabilitation (Sardar Sewa Singh Sekhwan) introduced the Court Fees (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1999 and also moved that the Court Fees (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1999 be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause-2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause-3**

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Minister of State for Public Relations and Revenue and Rehabilitation moved that the Court Fees (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 1999 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 2. The Punjab Affiliated Colleges (Security of the Services of the Employees) (Amendment) Bill, 1999

The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister introduced the Punjab Affiliated Colleges (Security of the services of the Employees) (Amendment) Bill, 1999 and also moved that the Punjab Affiliated Colleges (Security of the services of the Employees) (Amendment) Bill, 1999 be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the bill was considered clause by clause.

### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Clauses 2,3,4 and 5

As there were no amendments to Clauses 2,3,4 and 5 these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Title

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister moved that Punjab Affiliated Colleges (Security of Services of Employees) (Amendment) Bill, 1999 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### 10. Motion Regarding constitution of Elected Committees for the year 1999-2000.

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister moved that :--

Whereas the election to the :--

1. Committee on Public Accounts ;
2. Committee on Estimates ;
3. Committee on Public Undertakings ; and
4. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes;

for the year 1999-2000, are to be held before the 31st March, 1999 ; and

WHEREAS the time left at the disposal of the House is extremely short and it is not possible to conduct in the normal course, the election to these Committees ;

Now, therefore, this House authorises the Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha, to nominate the members of the aforesaid Committees for the aforesaid year, keeping in view the proportionate strength of various Parties/Groups in the House ;

This House further resolves that for the above purpose the Rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) relating to the elections to the said Committees for the year 1999-2000 which are inconsistent with or contrary to the above resolution, shall stand suspended.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**11. Announcement regarding constitution of a Committee of the House regarding appointment of the teachers as per the decision of the House :**

On the point raised by the Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister regarding authorisation of the Speaker by the House to constitute a Committee of the House about the irregularities committed in the appointment of the teachers the Speaker informed the House that he would constitute the Committee alongwith the other Committees in the first week of the next month.

Sardar Sujan Singh, a member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 3.50 P.M. to 4.07 P.M.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 4.07 P.M. to 4.11 P.M.

The House then adjourned *sine die*.

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## APPENDIX-II

## 32. COMMITTEES

## (i) Elected Committees

I. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR  
1999-2000

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 22nd April, 1999, in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on the 30th March, 1999)

1. Shri Harminder Singh Jassi
2. Sardar Adesh Partap Singh Kairon
3. Sardar Ajaib Singh Mukhmailpura
4. Jathedar Ajaypal Singh Mirankot
5. Shri Arunesh Kumar
6. Sardar Balbir Singh Nathana
7. Chaudhry Balvir Singh Tanda
8. Shri Chuni Lal
9. Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar
10. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi
11. Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra
12. Sardar Sujan Singh
13. Sardar Tej Parkash Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) the Speaker has appointed Shri Harminder Singh Jassi, as Chairman of the Committee.

## II. COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 1999-2000

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 22nd April, 1999, in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on the 30th March, 1999)

1. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam
2. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar
3. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
4. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla
5. Sardar Gulzar Singh Ranike
6. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu
7. Bhai Harnirpal Singh
8. Prof. Manjit Singh Calcutta
9. Sardar Manmohan Singh
10. Sardar Mantar Singh Brar
- \*11. Sardar Ravi Inder Singh
12. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra
13. Shri Satya Pal Saini

Under Rule 184(1) read with rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Sardar Natha Singh Dalam as Chairman of the Committee.

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- \* Resigned from the membership of the Committee with effect from 26th May, 1999 and in the vacancy caused Sardar Ranjit Singh Balian was nominated with effect from 4th June, 1999.

III. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS FOR THE  
YEAR 1999-2000

(Nominated by the Speaker in pursuance of the  
Motion passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha at its  
sitting held on the 30th March, 1999)

1. Shri Jagdish Sawhney
2. Sardar Dhanwant Singh
3. Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan
4. Prof. Jagir Singh Bhullar
5. Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal
6. Sardar Makhan Singh
7. Smt. Mohinder Kaur Josh
8. Sardar Paramjit Singh
9. Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal
10. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi
11. Sardar Sohan Singh Thandal
12. Shri Tikshan Sud
13. Sardar Vir Singh Lopoke

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the  
Speaker has appointed Shri Jagdish Sawhney as  
Chairman of the Committee.

IV. COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED  
CASTES, SCHEDULED TRIBES AND BACKWARD  
CLASSES FOR THE YEAR 1999-2000

(Nominated by the Speaker on 22nd April, 1999  
in pursuance of the Motion passed by the  
House on 30th March, 1999 )

1. Sardar Sital Singh
2. Sardar Bachan Singh Cheema
3. Sardar Balvir Singh Bhadaur
4. Sardar Balwant Singh
5. Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa
6. Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana
7. Chaudhary Mohan Lal Behram
8. Shri Ram Lal
9. Smt. Roop Rani
10. Smt. Satwant Kaur Sandhu
11. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra
12. Sardar Sohan Singh Bodal
13. Sardar Ujagar Singh Rangretta

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 ibid, the  
Speaker has appointed Sardar Sital Singh as  
Chairman of the Committee.

**(11) Nominated Committees****I. BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE****[Nominated under Rule 208(1)]**

1. Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, Speaker.
2. Shri Madan Mohan Mittal, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.
3. Capt. Kanwaljit Singh, Minister for Finance.
4. Ch. Jagjit Singh, M.L.A. and Leader of Opposition.
5. Raja Narinder Singh, Minister for Public Health.
6. Shri Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A.

**Special Invitees :**

1. Bibi Jagir Kaur, Minister for Tourism and Cultural Affairs.
2. Sardar Sujan Singh, M.L.A.

II. COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION  
FOR THE YEAR 1999-2000  
(Nominated under Rule 240)

1. Shri Tikshan Sud
2. Shri Adesh Partap Singh Kairon
3. Jathedar Ajaypal Singh Mirankot
4. Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora
5. Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa
6. Sardar Gobind Singh Longowal
7. Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana
8. Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira
9. Prof. Jagir Singh Bhullar
10. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura
11. Shri Sat Pal Gosain
12. Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh
13. Advocate-General, Punjab.

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Shri Tikshan Sud as Chairman of the Committee.

III. COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES FOR THE YEAR  
1999-2000

(Nominated under Rule 233)

1. Sardar Sujan Singh
2. Sardar Amarjit Singh Samra
3. Captain Balbir Singh Bath
4. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria
5. Sardar Jagdish Singh Garcha
6. Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra
7. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal
8. Dr. Ram Kumar Goel
9. Sardar Ranjit Singh Balian
10. Shri Sat Pal Gosain
11. Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli
12. Sardar Tara Singh Ladal

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Sardar Sujan Singh as Chairman of the Committee.

IV. COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS FOR THE YEAR  
1999-2000

(Nominated under Rule 250)

1. Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar
2. Shri Avtar Henry
3. Ch. Balvir Singh Tañda
4. Sardar Makhan Singh
5. Sardar Malkiat Singh
6. Prof. Manjit Singh Calcutta
7. Sardar Manmohan Singh.
8. Ch. Mohan Lal Behram
9. Smt. Mohinder Kaur
10. Shri Nand Lal
11. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura
12. Sardar Sadhu Singh Payal
13. Shri Satya Pal Saini

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*,  
the Speaker has appointed Sardar Gurdip Singh  
Bhullar as Chairman of the Committee.



V. HOUSE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1999-2000  
(Nominated under Rule 249)

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|---|------------------------|
| 1. Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla,<br>Deputy Speaker | Ex-Officio<br>Chairman |
| 2. Sardar Amrik Singh Dhillon               |                        |
| 3. Sardar Charnjit Singh                    |                        |
| 4. Smt. Daljit Kaur                         |                        |
| 5. Sardar Gulzar Singh Ranike               |                        |
| 6. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu                |                        |
| 7. Bhai Harnirpal Singh                     |                        |
| 8. Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira               |                        |
| 9. Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla                  |                        |

VI. COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES  
FOR THE YEAR 1999-2000

(Nominated under Rule 238)

1. Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala
2. Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta
3. Sardar Bachan Singh Cheema
4. Captain Balbir Singh Bath
5. Shri Charanjit Singh Nawanshahar
6. Sardar Gurcharan Singh Dirba
7. Doctor Harbans Lal
8. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria
9. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi
10. Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh
11. Sardar Tara Singh Ladal
12. Sardar Ujagar Singh Rangretta
13. Sardar Vir Singh Lopoke

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala as Chairman of the Committee.

VII. COMMITTEE ON PAPERS LAID/TO BE LAID ON  
THE TABLE FOR THE YEAR 1999-2000

(Nominated under Rule 251(1) and (2))

1. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla
2. Sardar Gardhara Singh
3. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla
4. Sardar Kanwaljit Singh Lalli
5. Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra
6. Shri Nand Lal
7. Sardar Sadhu Singh Brar
8. Sardar Sadhu Singh Payal
9. Sardar Sher Singh
10. Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Sardar Bhag Singh Malla as Chairman of the Committee.

VIII. LIBRARY COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1999-2000  
(Nominated under Rule 248)

1. Sardar Ajaib Singh Mukhmailpura
2. Smt. Daljit Kaur
3. Doctor Harbans Lal
4. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla
5. Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla
6. Shri Om Parkash Soni
7. Sardar Sadhu Singh Brar
8. Smt. Satwant Kaur Sandhu
9. Sardar Sher Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Sardar Ajaib Singh Mukhmailpura as Chairman of the Committee.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE PUNJAB MUNICIPAL  
BILL, 1998

(Nominated by the Speaker in pursuance of the Motion passed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha at its sitting held on 22-12-1998)

1. Shri Balramji Dass Tandon,  
Minister-In-Charge.
2. Sardar Bachan Singh Cheema.
3. Shri Chuni Lal
4. Sardar Gobind Singh Longowal
5. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi
6. Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra
7. Sardar Harnirpal Singh
8. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria
9. Sardar Natha Singh Dalam
10. Shri Om Parkash Soni
11. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra
12. Shri Satpal Gosain
13. Sardar Sujan Singh

14. Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli

15. Shri Tikshan Sud

#### **Ex-Officio Members**

1. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, Member of Panel of Chairmen.

2. Sardar Hardev Singh Mattewal, Advocate-General Punjab.

#### **Special Invitee**

Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla, Deputy Speaker.

Under Rule 219 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, Minister for Local Government, was chosen by the Committee as its Chairman at its meeting held on 30th December, 1998.

#### **COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE TO ENQUIRE INTO RECRUITMENT OF TEACHERS BY THE PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT**

**[Nominated by the Speaker in pursuance of the  
decision taken by the House at its sitting  
held on 11-3-1999 (MS)]**

1. Jathedar Tota Singh,  
Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education.
2. Shri Arunesh Kumar
3. Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar
4. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi
5. Sardar Sujan Singh
6. Sardar Tej Parkash Singh
7. Shri Tikshan Sud

The Speaker has appointed Jathedar Tota Singh, Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education, as Chairman of the Committee.



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OF  
BUSINESS TRANSACTED  
BY THE  
PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA  
DURING ITS  
EIGHTH SESSION, 1999  
WITH  
APPENDIX CONTAINING DAILY BULLETINS**



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**PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT, CHANDIGARH  
NOVEMBER, 1999**



## PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Eighth Session, 1999, held on the 7th and 8th September, 1999, together with the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

Chandigarh :  
The 29th November, 1999.

O. P. VERMA,  
SECRETARY.





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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an order of the Governor, dated the 30th July, 1999, to meet for its Eighth Session, 1999 in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhawan, Chandigarh, at 2.00 P.M. on the 7th September, 1999 and it continued to meet till the 8th September, 1999 when it adjourned sine die. It was later prorogued by an order of the Governor dated 20th September, 1999.

During the Session, the Sabha held two Sittings.

## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme Observed
Tuesday, the 7th September, 1999 (2.00 P.M. to 3.08 P.M.)	Obituary references to the deaths of— <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Sh. Kalapnath Rai, Ex-Union Minister.</li><li>2. Pandit Mohan Lal, Ex-Minister.</li><li>3. Master Kundan Singh, Ex-MLA.</li><li>4. Sardar Davinder Singh Garcha, Ex-MLA/Ex-MP.</li><li>5. Sh. Om Parkash Gupta, Ex-MLA.</li><li>6. Sh. Amritpal Singh, Ex-MLC.</li><li>7. Sh. Ishar Singh Balianwali, Freedom Fighter.</li><li>8. Sh. Ram Nath Bhalla, Freedom Fighter.</li><li>9. Kargil Heroes.</li><li>10. Victims of Train accident near Gaisal in West Bengal.</li><li>11. Victims of Earthquake in Turkey.</li></ol>

Date	Programme Observed
Wednesday, the 8th September, 1999 (9.00 A.M. to 2.18 P.M.)	1. Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly sine-die.
	(Carried)
	2. Presentation of the Supplementary Demands for Grants for the Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (First Instalment).
	3. Presentation of the Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (First Instalment).
	4. Discussion and Voting on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for the year 1999-2000.
	5. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1999.
	(Passed)
	6. The Punjab Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1999.
	(Passed)
	7. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1999.
	(Passed)
	8. The Punjab Entertainments Duty (Amendment) Bill, 1999.
	(Passed)
	9. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1999.
	(Passed)
	10. The Punjab Municipal Bill, 1999, as reported by the select Committee.
	(Passed)

### 3. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on 7.9.1999 :—

1. Shri Kalapnath Rai, Ex-Union Minister.
2. Pandit Mohan Lal, Ex-Minister.
3. Master Kundan Singh, Ex-MLA.
4. Sardar Davinder Singh Garcha, Ex-MLA/Ex-M.P.
5. Shri Om Parkash Gupta, Ex-MLA.
6. Shri Amritpal Singh, Ex-MLC.
7. Shri Ishar Singh Balianwali, Freedom Fighter.
8. Shri Ram Nath Bhalla, Freedom Fighter.
9. Kargil Heroes.
10. Victims of Train Accident near Gaisal in West Bengal.
11. Victims of Earthquake in Turkey.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memories of the deceased on the said occasion.

### 4. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

#### **Supplementary Demands For Grants For Expenditure Of The Government Of Punjab For The Year 1999-2000**

##### **(First Instalment)**

(i) The Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (First Instalment) were presented to the Sabha on the 8th September, 1999 and these were discussed and voted on the same day.

There were 9 Demands in all totalling a sum of Rs. 498,49,63,000/-.

In accordance with the past practice, a general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands together was permitted on the 8th September, 1999. One Member each from INC, CPM and SAD (M) spoke for 19 minutes, 5 minutes and 6 minutes respectively. The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 18 minutes. The Demands were put to the vote of the House and carried.

(ii) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1999 (No. 5-PL 'A' of 1999) in respect of the Supplementary Demands voted upon by the Sabha on the 8th September, 1999 and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab was introduced on the 8th September, 1999.

It was before the House for 10 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the 8th September, 1999.

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## 5. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on the 8th September, 1999.

### 1. Official Bills

The Sabha passed 6 Bills in all including two Principal Bills. (See Table).

### II. Non-Official Bills

Nil

## 6. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA

### 1. THE PUNJAB APPROPRIATION (No. 3) BILL, 1999.

(Introduced and passed on the 8th September, 1999)

This Bill seeks to provide for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of the sums required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by the Legislative Assembly for the expenditure for the Financial Year 1999-2000.

### 2. THE PUNJAB RECRUITMENT OF TEACHERS BILL, 1999

(Introduced and passed on the 8th September, 1999)

This Bill replaces the Punjab Recruitment of Teachers Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 1999) which was promulgated to provide relief and remove hardships of those teachers who were regularly selected and were appointed in pursuance of their regular selection on the basis of advertisement dated 19th August, 1992, but whose services were terminated after they had rendered three years' service.

### 3. THE PUNJAB GENERAL SALES TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1999.

(Introduced and passed on the 8th September, 1999)

This Bill replaces the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1999) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act to provide for the cases pending upto 31-3-1995, be disposed off under the deemed assessment scheme i.e. framing assessment on payment of fee without calling the dealer in the office of the Assessing Authority.

### 4. THE PUNJAB ENTERTAINMENTS DUTY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1999.

(Introduced and passed on the 8th September, 1999)

This Bill replaces the Punjab Entertainments Duty (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1999) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act to provide relief to the Cable TV operators that they shall pay lump sum Entertainment Duty @Rs. Fifteen Thousand per annum.

### 5. THE PUNJAB GENERAL SALES TAX (SECOND AMENDMENT) BILL, 1999.

(Introduced and passed on the 8th September, 1999)

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to establish Information Collection Centres to control the tax evasion by unscrupulous dealers and to make the provisions stringent.

## 6. THE PUNJAB MUNICIPAL BILL, 1999.

(Passed on the 8th September, 1999 as reported by the Select Committee)

This Bill seeks to replace the Punjab Municipal Act, 1911, the Punjab Municipal (Executive Officers) Act, 1931 and the Punjab Municipal Corporation Act, 1976, in view of the Constitution (74th) Amendment Act, 1992.

## 7. PAPERS LAID

Sr. No.	By whom Laid	Date on which Laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	8.9.1999	<p>1. i) The Punjab Recruitment of Teachers Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 1999) ;</p> <p>ii) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1999); and</p> <p>iii) The Punjab Entertainments Duty (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1999) ;</p> <p>as required under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p>2. The 27th Annual Report of the Punjab State Warehousing Corporation for the year 1993-94, as required under Section 31 (11) of the Warehousing Corporation Act, 1962.</p> <p>3. The 30th, 31st and 32nd Annual Reports of the Punjab Poultry Development Corporation Ltd. for the years 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</p>



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4. The 15th, 16th and 17th Annual Reports of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. for the years 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
5. The Annual Report of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 27(5) of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1970.
6. The Annual Reports and Accounts of the Punjab Pollution Control Board for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96, as required under Section 39 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974
7. The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1996-97, as required under Section 75 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
8. The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 69 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
9. The Annual Report of the Punjab Housing Development Board for the year 1995-96 (1.4.95 to 30.6.95), as required under Section 79 of the Punjab Housing Development Board Act, 1972 ; and

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the Annual Report of the Punjab Urban Planning & Development Authority for the year 1995-96 (1.7.95 to 31.3.96), as required under Section 54(2) of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Act, 1995.

10. The 19th Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1994-95, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
11. The Annual Reports of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96, alongwith Government's comments, as required under Section 39(3) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
12. The Annual Report of the Punjab State Hosiery & Knitwear Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1992-93 as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
13. The 22nd Annual Report of the Punjab State Electronics Development & Production Corporation Ltd. for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
14. The Balance Sheet of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development & Finance Corporation for the year 1994-95 as required under Section 27 (5) of the Punjab Scheduled

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Castes Land Development &  
Finance Corporation Act,  
1970.

15. The Audit Observations on the Utilization of Grants received by the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana during the period from 1.4.92 to 31-3-93, alongwith Government's comments, as required under Section 34(5) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
16. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Dairy Development Corporation Ltd. for the year ending 31st March, 1995, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
17. The Administration Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the Year 1996-97, alongwith Review, as required under Section 35(3) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
18. The 11th, 12th and 13th Annual Reports of the Punjab State Handloom & Textiles Development Corporation Ltd. for the years 1986-87, 1987-88 and 1988-89, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
19. The Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1996-97, alongwith Review, as required under Section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.

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			<p>20. The 32nd Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Agro Industries Corporation Ltd. for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</p> <p>21. The Bi-ennial Report of the Punjab State Council for Science &amp; Technology for the years 1996-97 and 1997-98.</p> <p>22. The 31st Annual Report of the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</p> <p>23. The Annual Consolidated Administration Report of Lok Pal Punjab for the period ending 31.12.1998, as required under Section 16(4) of the Punjab Lok Pal Act, 1996.</p> <p>24. i) The Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1997-98 (Civil) Govt. of Punjab ;</p> <p>ii) The Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1997-98 (Commercial) Govt. of Punjab ;</p> <p>iii) The Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1997-98 (Revenue Receipts) Govt. of Punjab;</p> <p>iv) The Government of Punjab, Finance Accounts, 1997-98; and</p> <p>v) The Government of Punjab, Appropriation Accounts 1997-98 ;</p> <p>as required under Article 151 (2) of the Constitution of India.</p>

## 8. REPORT PRESENTED

Sr. No.	By whom presented	Date on which presented	Subject
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## COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES

1.	Chairman	8.9.1999	Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for expenditure of Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (First Instalment).
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## 9. OTHER MOTION

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussion on	Subject	Decision/Remarks
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	8.9.99	8.9.99	Motion under rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly <i>sine-die</i> .	Carried

# 10. CALL ATTENTION NOTICE UNDER RULE 66

In all 3 notices calling attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. All the notices were admitted but out of these two admitted notices could not be taken up in the House due to paucity of time. The detail of admitted notice which was taken up in the House is given below :-

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member(s)	Calling Attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1.	1	Sh. Satya Pal Saini		26.8.99 2.7.99	Snag/leakage in the Channel of Ranjit Sagar Dam resulting in loss of Crores of public money.	The Minister of State for Irrigation made a statement.

### 11. STATEMENT BY MINISTER

The Minister of State for Irrigation made one statement in reply to Call Attention Notice.

### 12. STATEMENT MADE IN REPLY TO MATTER RAISED DURING ZERO HOUR

A Statement was made in reply to various points raised by the Hon'ble Members during Zero Hour, the detail of which is as under :-

Sr. No.	Date	Made by	Subject Matter
1	2	3	4
1.	8th Sept., 1999	Chief Minister/ Minister	Regarding the issues raised by Chaudhary Jagjit Singh, Leader of the Opposition and Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, such as deletion of the names of a number of voters from voter lists especially those belonging to the Scheduled Castes, beating of Polling Agents, curbing of the freedom of the Press and Kotkapura incident of journalist.

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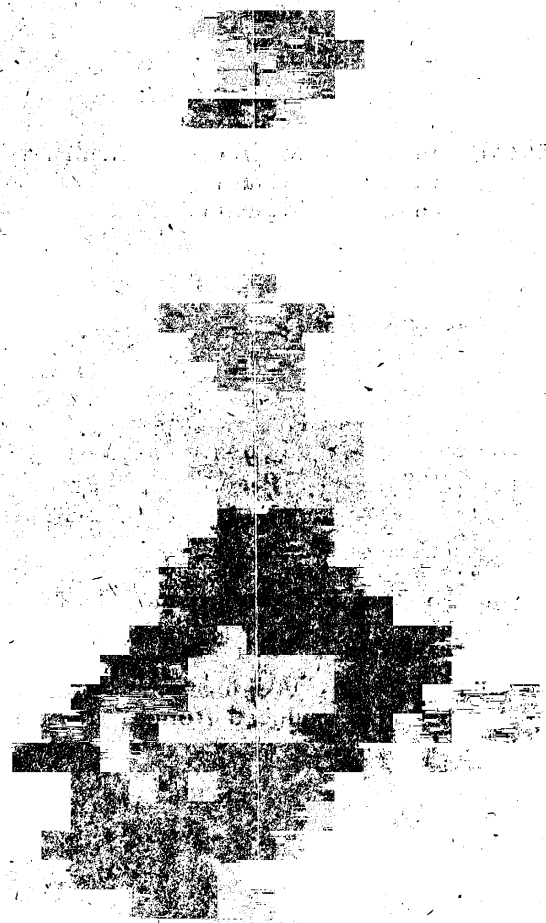
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### 13. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

Number of Speeches made by							Time taken by						
Treasury Benches		Members of :					Treasury Benches		Members of :				
Members excluding Ministers	Ministers	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D.(M)	Independents.	Members excluding Ministers	Ministers	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D.(M)	Independents.
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2	10	6	6	2	3	1	H.M. 0.09	H.M. 1.15	H.M. 1.02	H.M. 0.54	H.M. 0.08	H.M. 0.13	H.M. 0.08
6.67 Per cent	33.33 Per cent	20 Per cent	20 Per cent	6.67 per cent	10 Per cent	3.33 Per cent	3.94 Per cent	32.76 Per cent	27.07 Per cent	23.58 Per cent	3.49 Per cent	5.67 Per cent	3.49 Per cent

- Notes— (1) Observations/Rulings by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above Statement.
- (2) Question Hour has been excluded from the Statement.
- (3) Time taken on Personal Explanations, Privilege Motions, Adjournment Motions, Call Attention Notices, Points of Order, Presentation of Reports and other papers, etc. is also excluded from the Statement.



## 14. FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1. Total No. of Sitzings of the Sabha	2
2. Total No. of Notices of Questions received :	
Starred :	69
Unstarred :	21
Short-Notice :	—
3. Total No. of sittings at which Questions were not taken up	1
4. Total No. of Members from whom notices were received	15
5. Total No. of Questions placed on Order paper	
Starred	20
Unstarred	12
6. Total No. of Starred Questions to which oral answers were given	11
7. Total No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions	5
8. Total No. of Unstarred Questions replied to	9
9. Total No. of Starred Questions postponed	3
10. Largest No. of Questions addressed to any one Minister (8.9.99 Chief Minister)	9
11. Largest No. of Questions orally answered by any one Minister (8.9.99 Chief Minister)	3

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# 15. QUESTIONS STATEMENT

Type of Questions	No. of Notices received	No. of Admitted Questions	No. of disallowed/ referred back Questions	No. of Postponed Questions	No. of Not-put Questions	No. of Questions Answered	No. of Starred Questions converted as Unstarred Questions on Prorogation	No. of Questions deemed to have been answered u/r 38	No. of Questions withdrawn	No. of Supplementaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
STARRED	69	53	16	3	—	11	5	6	—	42
UNSTARRED	21	15	6	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
SHORT-NOTICE	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—



16. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS ANSWERED, DATE-WISE  
AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
8.9.99	3	3	1	2	1	—	1	11

**17. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN ANSWERED UNDER RULE 38, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE**

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
8.9.99	—	3	1	2	—	—	—	6





**19- STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE**

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
8.9.99	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	3

## 20. WALK-OUTS

Sr. No.	Date	Member (s) walking-out	Occasion
1.	8th September, 1999	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, Bharatiya Janata party.	As a protest against extension sought in replying to her both the questions entered in the List of Questions for the day.
2.	8th September, 1999	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, (C.P.I.), Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, SAD (Mann) and Members of the Congress Party, present in the House.	As a protest against not getting enough time to properly study the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1999 due to its late receipt at night and being voluminous.

## 21. DHARNAS

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) sitting in Dharna	Occasion
1.	8th September, 1999.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh, (Indian National Congress) and other Members of the Congress Party, present in the House.	As a protest against not being allowed to raise a Point of Order regarding an issue which cropped up in the recently held Parliamentary elections.
2.	8th September, 1999.	Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla (S A D), Sardar Charanjit Singh Nawan Shahr and Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independents) and Members of all the Opposition parties present in the House.	As a protest against not being allowed to speak.

## 22. PERSONAL EXPLANATION

The following Personal Explanation was made during the Session :—

Sr. No.	Date	Name of the Minister	Occasion
1.	8th Sept. 1999	Raja Narinder Singh, Minister for Public Health and Civil Aviation.	On objection by Leader of the Opposition, Chaudhary Jagjit Singh, to the remarks made by Raja Narinder Singh about Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal.

## 23. UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Sr. No.	Expression		Date
1.	ਪਿਛਲੇ ਦਿਨੀਂ ਇਲੈਕਸ਼ਨਾਂ ਹੋਈਆਂ, ਇਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਡੈਮੋਕਰੇਟਿਕ ਸਿਸਟਮ ਦਾ ਗਲਾ ਘੁੱਟਿਆ ਗਿਆ।	(When used with reference to elections)	8-9-1999
2.	ਇਸ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਦੀ ਹਾਲਤ ਆਕਸੀਜਨ ਤੇ ਚੱਲਣ ਵਾਲੀ ਹੋਈ ਪਈ ਹੈ।	(When used with reference to Government)	8-9-1999
3.	ਇਹ ਐਸੀ ਹਾਲਤ ਕਰਕੇ ਗਏ ਸੀ ਕਿ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦੇ ਖਜ਼ਾਨੇ ਵਿੱਚ ਕਾਣੀ ਕੋਡੀ ਨਹੀਂ ਸੀ...	(When used with reference to a particular party)	8-9-1999
4.	ਅਸਲ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਪੀਕਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਵਿਰੋਧੀ ਧਿਰ ਕੋਲ ਕਹਿਣ ਲਈ ਕੋਈ ਗੱਲ ਹੈ ਨਹੀਂ ਜਿਸ ਕਰਕੇ ਇਹ ਗੰਦਾ ਚਿੱਕੜ ਸੁੱਟ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ।	(When used with reference to Opposition)	8-9-1999
5.	...ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਨੇ ਕਾਣੀ ਕੋਡੀ ਵੀ ਨਹੀਂ ਦਿੱਤੀ।	(When used with reference to a particular party)	8-9-1999

Sr. No.	Expression		Date
6.	ਤੀਸਰੇ ਉਹ ਹਨ ਜਿਹੜੇ ਕਿ ਚੋਰ ਢੰਗ ਦੇ ਨਾਲ 89 ਡੋਅਜ਼ ਤੇ ਕਰ ਦਿੱਤੇ ।	(When used with reference to posting of teachers)	8-9-1999
7.	ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਨੇ ਡੈਮੋਕਰੇਸੀ ਦਾ ਗਲਾ ਘੁੱਟਿਆ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to Government)	8-9-1999
8.	ਮੈਂ ਸਮਝਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਇਹ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦਾ ਕਾਲਾ ਦਿਨ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ ਜੇਕਰ ਇਸ ਬਿੱਲ ਨੂੰ ਇਸੇ ਰੂਪ ਵਿੱਚ ਪਾਸ ਕਰ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to a Bill)	8-9-1999
9.	ਹੁਣ ਤੇ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਡਿਕਟੇਟਰ ਬਣ ਗਈ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to Government)	8-9-1999
10.	ਐਵੇਂ ਨਾ ਸੋਕਨਾਂ ਵਾਂਗੂੰ ਮਿਹਣੇ ਮਾਰੀ ਜਾਇਆ ਕਰੇ ।	(When used with reference to the Leader of the Opposition)	8-9-1999

## APPENDIX

## 24. BULLETINS

*(Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha held during its Eighth Session, 1999)*

## BULLETIN NO. 1

Tuesday, 7th September, 1999

(From 2.00 PM to 3.08 PM)

## 1. Obituary References :-

The Chief Minister made reference to the deaths of :-

1. Shri Kalapnath Rai, Ex-Union Minister.
2. Pandit Mohan Lal, Ex-Minister.
3. Master Kundan Singh, Ex-MLA.
4. Sardar Davinder Singh Garcha, Ex-MLA/Ex. MP.
5. Shri Om Parkash Gupta, Ex-MLA.
6. Shri Amritpal Singh, Ex-MLC.
7. Shri Ishar Singh Balianwali, Freedom Fighter.
8. Shri Ram Nath Bhalla, Freedom Fighter.
9. Kargil Heroes.
10. Victims of Train accident near Gaisal in West Bengal.
11. Victims of Earthquake in Turkey.

and paid rich tributes to the departed souls by recalling the services rendered by them in their respective spheres. He also placed on record the valour shown by the soldiers in the Kargil operation and paid rich tributes to the brave soldiers who laid down their lives therein. The Chief Minister further expressed his sense of sorrow over the loss of valuable lives in the tragedies.

While paying his heartfelt tributes, the Chief Minister also praised the valour shown by the brave Indian armed forces in the Kargil operation. The Chief Minister, while announcing the facilities provided to the families of Martyrs of the operation, prayed that Almighty may grant peace to the departed souls.

He also suggested that a resolution condoling the deaths of the deceased be passed and a copy of the same be sent to the respective bereaved families.

While doing so, he spoke for 10 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members paid their tributes to the departed souls and spoke for time given against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Ch. Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	15 Minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	11 Minutes
3.	Sh. Balramji Das Tandon ( <del>The</del> Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment)	09 Minutes
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	07 Minutes
5.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar [Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)]	06 Minutes
6.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	08 Minutes

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed for the departed Personalities, the heroes, who sacrificed their lives for the country and the victims of tragedies and paid his tributes. He announced that a copy of the resolution condoling the deaths would be sent to the respective bereaved families.

The House then observed silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the departed souls.

The House then adjourned till 9.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 8th September, 1999.

## BULLETIN NO. 2

Wednesday, the 8th September, 1999

(From 9.00 A.M. to 2.18 P.M.)

## 1. Questions

## (a) Starred

Total No. of questions on the Order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
20	11	—	3	42

The remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

## (b) Unstarred : 12

## 2. Announcement by the Speaker :

The Speaker informed the House that the following documents have been received from the Governor, Punjab for being laid on the Table of the House as required under section 16(5) of the Punjab Lok Pal Act, 1996 and laid the same on the Table :—

- 1) Special Report of the Lok Pal, Punjab on the complaint No. 1 against Shri Bal Mukand Sharma, Ex-Minister, Punjab alongwith the extra ordinary Memorandum-Annexure 'A' , 'B' and 'C'.
- 2) Special Report of the Lok Pal, Punjab on the complaint No. 2 against Sh. Lakhmir Singh Randhawa, Ex-Minister, Punjab alongwith the extra-ordinary Memorandum-Annexure 'A' , 'B' and 'C'.
- 3) Special Report of the Lok Pal, Punjab on the complaint No. 4 against Sh. S. S. Dullo, Ex-Minister, Punjab alongwith the extraordinary Memorandum-Annexure 'A' , 'B' and 'C'.
- 4) Special Report of the Lok Pal, Punjab on the complaint No. 7 against Sh. Lal Singh, Ex-Minister, Punjab alongwith the extraordinary Memorandum-Annexure 'A' , 'B' and 'C'.



### 3. Announcements by the Secretary :

The Secretary made the following announcements :—

- i) "I lay on the Table a statement showing the Bills which were passed by the 11th Punjab Vidhan Sabha during its seventh session and which have been assented to by the Governor."
- ii) "I have the honour to inform the House that the Speaker, Lok Sabha has nominated the Speaker of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha for being elected as a regional representative for the Asia Region in the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association for a term of three years.

The formal election to this effect would be held in the general assembly of C.P.A. in its 45th Conference to be held at Trin-dad and Tobago (Port of Spain) from 17-9-1999 to 23-9-1999.

This is the first occasion when a Speaker of Punjab has received such an honour of being elected as a representative in any organisation at the international level."

### 4. Congratulatory speeches.

The Chief Minister, while appreciating the ability of the Speaker congratulated him on being nominated as a regional representative for the Asia Region in the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association for a term of three years and urged the House that a resolution be passed to congratulate him on his nomination and while doing so, he spoke for one minute.

The following members congratulated the Speaker and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of Member	Time
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	1 Minute
2.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	1 „
3.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar [Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)]	1 „
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungara (Bahujan Samaj Party)	1 „
5.	Shri Madan Mohan Mittal, Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs.	1 „

The Speaker then expressed his gratitude to all the Members for felicitating him.

#### 5. Dharna

Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress) sought to raise a 'Point of Order', regarding an issue cropped up in the recently held Parliamentary elections and came in the well of the House and squatted. The other Members belonging to the Congress Party, present in the House supported the point of order raised by him and joined him.

On being requested and assured by the Chief Minister that he was ready to give reply to the Points, whatever the Members were to raise, the Members belonging to the Congress Party present in the House returned to their seats.

#### 6. Statement by the Chief Minister/Minister on the issues raised by the Members concerning Parliamentary elections held recently.

Chaudhary Jagjit Singh, the Leader of the Opposition, pointed out that the names of a number of voters, especially, those belonging to Scheduled Castes, have been deleted from the electoral rolls, during the recent Parliamentary elections. He also alleged that the polling agents who checked and stopped the casting of bogus votes were beaten up and prosecuted. He further stated that during the elections, the freedom of the press was also curbed. He also narrated an incident at Kotkapura wherein a Union Minister had allegedly slapped a Press photographer and snatched his Camera. Another Member, Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi while describing the whole incident in detail also raised the issue.

The Minister for Finance and Planning while explaining the procedure told that the registration of votes and publication and maintenance of electoral rolls is the responsibility of the Election Commission of India and the conduct of the Commission could not be discussed in this House. He also urged that whatsoever criticism of the Election Commission has been made, may be deleted from the proceedings.

The Chief Minister while making a statement on the above said issues stated that the traditions of the august House should be maintained. Regarding Parliamentary elections held recently in the State, he said that business relating to holding of elections comes under the purview of the Election Commission. He further said that there is a set procedure for addition and deletion of voters in the electoral rolls and objections are invited before the final publication of electoral rolls and every voter has a right to get his vote corrected or get his vote registered afresh. He also drew the attention of the House towards the statement made by the President of the Congress Party to the effect that the elections held recently were so fair and free that had never held earlier. He admitted this fact and congratulated the officers of

the Govt. for conducting elections so peacefully. As regards incidents, concerning the Polling Agents, the Chief Minister said that if such an incident had occurred anywhere in the State, a complaint to this effect should be lodged. The matter would be enquired into and legal action will be taken.

As regards freedom of Press, he said that none of the Political Parties in the country had sacrificed for the cause of upkeeping the freedom of Press as much sacrifice his party had made for the cause. He further mentioned that Congress Party by declaring Emergency had virtually strangled the Press and whatever this Party had done during Emergency, the example thereof is nowhere available in any of the countries. Referring the incident which took place at Kotkapura on 5th September, he said that media persons were very responsible persons. He further said that the media persons had met him and he had brought whole of the matter into their notice and they were satisfied.

## 7. Dharna

Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, (Shiromani Akali Dal) on not being allowed to speak came in the well of the House and squatted. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla (Shiromani Akali Dal), Sardar Charanjit Singh Nawan shahr and Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independents) and Members of all the Opposition parties present in the House also joined him. On being assured by the Speaker that one minute time will be allotted to each Member for raising his point, they resumed their seats.

## 8. Call Attention Notice

Call Attention Notice (No. 1) given notice of by Shri Satya Pal Saini drawing the attention of the Chief Minister towards snag/leakage in the channel of Ranjit Sagar Dam resulting in loss of crores of public money, was admitted.

The Minister of State for Irrigation made a statement in this behalf.

## 9. Motion under Rule 16.

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister moved :—

“that the Vidhan Sabha (Assembly) at its rising this day shall stand adjourned sine die.”

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## 10. Papers Laid on the Table.

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister laid on the Table of the House the papers entered in the List of Business from serial Nos. 1. to 24.

**Financial Business :****Supplementary Demands**

The Finance Minister presented the Supplementary Demands for Grants for the Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (First instalment).

**Report of the Committee on Estimates on Supplementary Demands.**

Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, Chairman, Committee on Estimates presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for expenditure of Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (First Instalment).

**Discussion and Voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants for the Expenditure of Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (First Instalment).**

The Speaker informend the House that there were nine Demands for Grants for discussion and voting. The Speaker sought leave of the House in respect of all demands on the order paper i.e. Demand Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 21, 22 and 29 for being read and moved jointly to which the House granted its leave.

Demands were deemed to have been read and moved. He requested the Members that while taking part in the discussion, they should mention the number of that particular demand on which they would like to speak.

The following Members, while taking part in the discussion on the demands (Nine Supplementary Demands), spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	5 minutes
2.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	19 minutes
3.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann))	6 minutes

The Finance and Planning Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 18 minutes.

All the demands (Demand Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 21, 22 and 29) with the consent of House, were put to the vote of the House together and carried.

## 12. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1999.

The Finance and Planning Minister introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1999 and moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1999 be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

### Clause-2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Clause-3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Schedule

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Clause-1

Clause-1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Title

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Finance and Planning Minister moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 1999 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## 13. Legislative Business.

### 1. The Punjab Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1999.

(Replacing Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 1999).

The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister introduced The Punjab Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1999; and

also moved that the Punjab Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1999 be taken into consideration at once.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time indicated against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	2 Minutes
2.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	14 Minutes

The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 4 minutes.

The Motion that the Punjab Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1999, be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The bill was then considered clause by clause.

#### **Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1**

Sub-clause (2) of clause-I was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### **Clauses 2 to 6**

As there were no amendments to clauses 2 to 6, these were, with the consent of the House, put to the vote of the House together and carried unanimously.

#### **Sub-clause (1) of clause 1**

Sub-Clause (1) of clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### **Title**

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister moved that the Punjab Recruitment of Teachers Bill, 1999 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### **2. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1999**

**(Replacing Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 1999)**

The Chief Minister introduced the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1999; and

also moved that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1999 be taken into consideration at once.

Doctor Harbans Lal (Indian National Congress), while taking part in the discussion on the Bill, spoke for four minutes.

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister, by way of reply, spoke for two minutes.

The motion that The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1999 be taken into consideration at once was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.



**Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1**

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Clauses 2 and 3**

As there were no amendments to clauses 2 and 3, these were, with the consent of the House, put to the vote of the House together and carried unanimously.

**Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Title**

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Chief Minister moved that Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1999 be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**3. The Punjab Entertainment Duty (Amendment) Bill, 1999**

**(Replacing Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 1999)**

The Chief Minister introduced the Punjab Entertainment Duty (Amendment) Bill, 1999 ; and

also moved that the Punjab Entertainment Duty (Amendment) Bill 1999, be taken into consideration at once.

The motion that the Punjab Entertainment Duty (Amendment) Bill, 1999 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1**

Sub Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Clauses 2 and 3**

As there were no amendments to Clauses 2 and 3, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1**

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### Title

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Chief Minister moved that the Punjab Entertainment Duty (Amendment) Bill, 1999 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### 4. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1999

The Chief Minister introduced the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1999 ; and

also moved that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1999 be taken into consideration at once.

Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi while speaking on the Bill, spoke for 5 minutes.

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister while replying to the discussion spoke for 5 minutes.

The motion that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1999, be taken into consideration at once was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 3

The Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister moved that :

“In the proposed Sub-section (8) of Section 14-B, the words ‘or driver or other person Incharge of goods vehicle.’ be deleted.

The motion was put to vote of the House and carried.

Clause 3 as amended, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 4

Clause 4 was put to the vote of the House and carried.



**Clause 5**

Clause 5 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Chief Minister moved that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1999, as amended, be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**5. The Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998**

The Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister moved that the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998, as reported by the Select Committee, be taken into consideration at once and while doing so, the Minister spoke for 6 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time indicated against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	9 Minutes
2.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bhartiya Janata Party)	5 Minutes
3.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (Bhartiya Janata Party)	4 Minutes
4.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	30 Minutes

The Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister by way of reply, spoke for 19 Minutes.

The motion that The Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998 as reported by the Select Committee, be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause (3) of Clause 1**

Sub-clause (3) of clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clauses 2 to 601**

As there were no amendments to Clauses 2 to 601, these clauses, with the consent of the House, were put to the vote of the House together and carried.

**Schedules I to V**

Schedules I to V were, with the consent of the House, put to the vote of the House together and carried.

**Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause (1) of clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister moved that the Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998, as reported by the Select Committee, be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**14. Personal Explanation**

Raja Narinder Singh, the Minister for Public Health and Civil Aviation made certain remarks while sitting to which the Leader of the Opposition, Chaudhary Jagjit Singh objected. Despite the observations from the Chair that there were no such remarks on the record, the Leader of the Opposition and other members of the Congress Party stressed for an explanation from the Minister. While giving his personal explanation, the Minister said that he had only asked the Leader of the Opposition as to why Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal does not sit along with him? In case the Leader of the Opposition feels that such remarks have injured his feelings, he feels sorry for the remarks.

**15. Walk out**

- i) Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla staged a walk out as a protest against extension sought in replying to her both the Questions entered in the List of Questions for the day.
- ii) Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, while participating in the discussion on the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Bill, 1999 staged a walk out along with his party colleague, Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta as a protest against not getting enough time to study the Bill properly due to receipt thereof late to-night and being voluminous. S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, SAD (Mann) also joined them in the walk out.

The Members of the Congress Party while agreeing to the same viewpoint, also staged a walk-out.

**16. Point of Order**

A Point of Order sought to be raised by Sardar Avtar Singh Brar (Indian National Congress) was declared as "No Point of Order".

**17. Extension of Time**

The Speaker, with the consent of the House, extended the time of the sitting till the passage of Punjab Municipal Bill, 1998.

The Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 12.48 P.M. to 12.54 P.M.

Sardar Natha Singh Dalam, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 1.33 P.M. to 1.41 P.M.

The House then adjourned sine-die.

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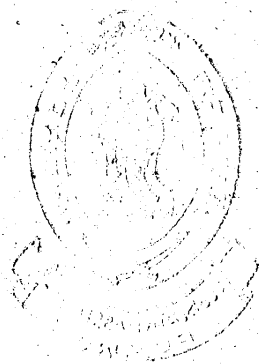


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The Budget (Ninth) Session,  
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AND  
COMMITTEES OF THE VIDHAN SABHA**



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**PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT,  
CHANDIGARH  
SEPTEMBER, 2000**



## PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Budget (Ninth) Session, 2000 held from 6th March, 2000 to 4th April, 2000 together with the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above-mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication, in future, would be very gratefully welcomed.

CHANDIGARH :  
The 14th September, 2000

O. P. VERMA,  
Secretary.

1. The first part of the report deals with the general situation of the country and the progress of the various departments of the Government.

2. The second part of the report deals with the financial statement of the Government for the year 1934-35.

3. The third part of the report deals with the progress of the various departments of the Government during the year 1934-35.

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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an Order of the Governor, dated the 22nd January, 2000 to meet for its Budget (Ninth) Session in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, at 2.30 P. M. on the 6th March, 2000 and it continued to meet till the 4th April, 2000 when it adjourned sine-die. It was later prorogued by an Order of the Governor dated the 27th April, 2000.

During the Session, the Sabha held 16 sittings. The Sabha held two sittings each on the 30th March, 2000 and 4th April, 2000.

## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme observed
Monday, the 6th March, 2000 (2.30 P. M.)	Governor's Address to the Members of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
Tuesday, the 7th March, 2000 (9.00 A. M. to 10.25 A. M.)	(i) Oath of Office by Sardar Jatinder Singh Kariha declared elected in the Bye-election from 38-Nawanshahr Assembly Constituency.
	(ii) Obituary references to the deaths of—
	1. Dr. Shankar Dayal Sharma, Former President of India.
	2. Shri Krishan Lal Sharma, Ex-MP.
	3. Kanwar Manjitinder Singh, Ex-MLA.
	4. Sardar Parshotam Singh, Ex-MLA.
	5. Sardar Mohinder Singh Brar, Ex. M.L.A.

Date	Programme Observed
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Col. Partap Singh Gill, Ex-Lieut. Governor of Goa.</li> <li>7. Shri B. Rachaiya, Ex-Governor of Himachal Pradesh and Ke ala States.</li> <li>8. Sardar Hazara Singh Hamdum, Freedom-Fighter.</li> <li>9. Sardar Pritam Singh, Freedom-Fighter.</li> <li>10. Smt. Durga Devi, Freedom-Fighter.</li> <li>11. Giani Charan Singh, Freedom-Fighter.</li> <li>12. Victims of Cyclone in Orissa and Andhra Pradesh States.</li> <li>13. Victims of Bomb Blast in the bus near Sirhind.</li> <li>14. Smt. Geeta Mukherji, Ex-M. P.</li> </ol>
Wednesday, the 8th March, 2000	Holiday.
Thursday, the 9th March, 2000 (2.00 P. M. to 6.30 P. M.)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Presentation and adoption of First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.</li> <li>(ii) Non-Official Resolution—            “This House strongly recommends to the State Government to enact legislation for taking effective steps to control population in the State of Punjab.”            (Talked out)</li> </ol>



Date	Programme Observed
Friday, the 10th March, 2000 (10.00 A. M. to 2.30 P. M.)	Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address.
Saturday, the 11th March, 2000	} Holidays.
Sunday, the 12th March, 2000	
Monday, the 13th March, 2000 (2.00 P. M. to 6.30 P. M.)	Resumption of Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address.
Tuesday, the 14th March, 2000 (10.00 A. M. to 3.11 P. M.)	(i) Presentation of Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (Second Instalment).
	(ii) Presentation of the Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (Second Instalment)
	(iii) Resumption of Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address. (Concluded).
Wednesday, the 15th March, 2000 (10.00 A.M. to 1.01 P.M.)	1. Discussion and Voting on the Demands for Supplementary Grants
	2. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2000.
	(Passed)

Date	Programme Observed
<p>Thursday, the 16th March, 2000 (10.00 A. M. to 2.30 P. M.)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="734 358 1216 593">1. Resolution congratulating Mr. Ujjal Dosanjh on his election as Premier of British Columbia, a State of Canada. (Passed)</li> <li data-bbox="734 593 1216 1041">2. Official Resolution— “This House recommends to the Government of India to roll back the increase in the prices of fertilizers and essential commodities because the farmers and the poor are already suffering from economic burden.” (Carried)</li> <li data-bbox="734 1041 1216 1944">3. Non-Official Resolution— “This House recommends to the State Government to take steps for setting up Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji Chair in one of the Universities in the State on the occasion of Tercentenary of the Birth of Khalsa so as to make the world aware of the historical achievements made by Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji and Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji for the Universal benefit of Humanity, Human dignity and freedom of the mankind through the principles of the Sikh Religion.” (Talked out).</li> </ol>

Date	Programme Observed	
Friday, the 17th March, 2000 Saturday, the 18th March, 2000 Sunday, the 19th March, 2000 Monday, the 20th March, 2000 Tuesday, the 21st March, 2000	Holidays.	
Wednesday, the 22nd March, 2000 (11.00 A. M. to 2.43 P. M.)		1. Obituary Reference to the killings at Village Chatti-Singh Pura in District Anantnag (J & K). 2. Presentation of Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001.
Thursday, the 23rd March, 2000		Holiday.
Friday, the 24th March, 2000		Off-day.
Saturday, the 25th March, 2000 Sunday, the 26th March, 2000		Holidays.
Monday, the 27th March, 2000 (2.00 P. M. to 6.30 P. M.)	1. Presentation and adoption of Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee. 2. General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001.	
Tuesday, the 28th March, 2000 (10.00 A. M. to 2.30 P. M.)	1. Resolution honouring Shri Gurdial Singh, Punjabi Litterateur and Shri Nirmal Verma, Hindi Litterateur, who have been awarded the highest National Award for Literature. (Carried) 2. Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001.	

Date	Programme Observed
Wednesday, the 29th March, 2000 (10.00 A. M. to 3.02 P. M.)	Resumption of General Discussion on the Bud- get Estimates for the year 2000-2001. (Concluded)
Thursday, the 30th March, 2000 (Morning Sitting) (10.00 A. M. to 2.42 P. M.)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Discussion and Voting on Demands for Grants relating to Budget Esti- mates for the year. 2000-2001.</li> <li>2. The Punjab Appropri- ation (No. 2) Bill, 2000. (Passed)</li> </ol>
Thursday, the 30th March, 2000 (Afternoon Sitting) (3.30 P. M. to 8.00 P. M.)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Motion regarding consti- tution of elected Com- mittees of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha for the year 2000-2001. (Carried).</li> <li>2. Non-Official Resolution- "This House recom- mends to the State Government to take steps for providing free electricity to the persons belonging to the Sched- uled Castes, Back- ward Classes and other poor Classes in all the areas of the State, on the analogy of its scheme for providing free electricity to the farmers in the rural areas of the State." (Talked out)</li> </ol>

Date	Programme Observed
Friday, the 31st March, 2000	Off-day.
Saturday, the 1st April, 2000	Holidays.
Sunday, the 2nd April, 2000	
Monday, the 3rd April, 2000 (2.00 P. M. to 6.29 P. M.)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2000. (Passed)</li> <li>2. The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 2000. (Passed)</li> <li>3. The Registration (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 2000. (Passed)</li> <li>4. The Punjab Entertainments Duty (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2000. (Passed)</li> <li>5. The Punjab Tax on Entry of Goods into Local Areas Bill, 2000. (Passed)</li> <li>6. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2000. (Passed)</li> <li>7. Resolution under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution of India regarding disapproval</li> </ol>

Date	Programme Observed
	<p>of the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 11 of 1999) (Discussed together with the Bill on the subject).</p> <p>(Lost)</p> <p>8. The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2000.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>9. The Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>10. The Punjab School Education Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000.</p> <p>(Passed)</p> <p>11. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second) Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2000.</p> <p>(Passed)</p>
<p>Tuesday, the 4th April, 2000 (Morning Sitting) (10.00 A. M. to 2.49 P. M.)</p>	<p>1. Presentation of the Excess Demands Over Grants and Appropriation for the years 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96.</p> <p>2. The East Punjab Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 2000.</p> <p>(Passed)</p>

Date	Programme Observed
	<p>3. The Salaries and Allowances of Deputy Ministers, Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 2000.</p> <p>(Passed)</p>
	<p>4. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 2000.</p> <p>(Passed)</p>
	<p>5. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Fourth Amendment) Bill, 2000.</p> <p>(Passed)</p>
	<p>6. The Punjab Social Security Bill, 2000.</p> <p>(Passed)</p>
	<p>7. Discussion on—</p> <p>(i) Annual Statement of the Punjab Urban Planning and Development Authority for the year 1997-98, which was laid on the Table of the House on the 9th March, 2000.</p> <p>(ii) Annual Statement of Pepsu Road Transport Corporation for the year 1997-98, along-with Review, which was laid on the Table of the House on the 9th March, 2000.</p>

Date	Programme Observed
Tuesday, the 4th April, 2000 (Afternoon Sitting) (4.00 P.M. to 9.30 P.M.)	8. Voting on Excess Demands over Grants and Appropriations for the years 1990-91 to 1995-96.
	9. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 2000.  (Passed)
	1. Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly sine-die.  (Carried)
	2. Resolution under Article 368 of the Constitution - "That this House ratifies the amendment to the Constitution of India falling within the purview of clause (d) of the proviso to clause (2) of Article 368, proposed to be made by the Constitution (Eighty-fourth Amendment) Bill, 1999, as passed by the two Houses of Parliament."  (Carried)
	3. Official Resolution under Section 65 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 regarding raising the maximum limit of loan from Rs. 3000 Crores to Rs. 4000 Crores.  (Carried).



Date	Programme Observed
	<p>4. Official Resolution under Article 252 of the Constitution regarding repealing of Public Debt Act, 1944 and its replacement by a new Act namely the Government Securities Act.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Carried)</p>
	<p>5. Motion under Rule 77—</p> <p>“On the occasion of Tercentenary Celebrations of the Birth of Khalsa, the Punjab Government has decided to launch many ambitious programmes/development projects and to commemorate this auspicious occasion the Government has decided to set up a new City in the name of Anandgarh.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Discussed).</p>

### 3. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 18th February, 2000, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) :—

1. Sh. Arunesh Kumar
2. Prof. Jagir Singh
3. Sardar Gardeep Singh Bhullar
4. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar

## 4. GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

The Governor addressed the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 6th March, 2000.

The Speaker laid a copy of the Governor's Address on the Table of the House on the 9th March, 2000.

The Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address was moved by Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA on the 9th March, 2000 which was seconded by Shri Arunesh Kumar, MLA on the same day.

The Motion was discussed on the—

10th March, 2000	For 167 minutes (Treasury Benches 142 minutes and Congress 25 minutes).
13th March, 2000	For 142 minutes (Treasury Benches 57 minutes, Congress 68 minutes and SAD(M) 17 minutes)
14th March, 2000	For 183 minutes (Treasury Benches 127 minutes, CPI 28 minutes, BSP 14 minutes and Independent 14 minutes).

21 Members took part in the discussion, 15 from the Treasury Benches (including the Mover/Secunder of the Motion and the Chief Minister), 2 from Congress and one each from CPI, SAD(M), BSP and Independent speaking for 326 minutes, 93 minutes, 28 minutes, 17 minutes, 14 minutes and 14 minutes respectively.

The motion was carried on the 14th March, 2000.

It was communicated by the Speaker on the 14th March, 2000 to the Governor.

## 5. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on the dates mentioned against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the deceased	Date on which the reference was made
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- |     |   |           |
|-----|---|-----------|
| 1.  | Doctor Shankar Dayal Sharma, Former President of India.                 | 7-3-2000  |
| 2.  | Shri Krishan Lal Sharma, Ex-M.P.  |           |
| 3.  | Kanwar Manjitinder Singh, Ex-M.P.                                       |           |
| 4.  | Sardar Parshotam Singh, Ex-M.L.A.                                       |           |
| 5.  | Sardar Mohinder Singh Brar, Ex-M.L.A.                                   |           |
| 6.  | Col. Partap Singh Gill, Former Lt. Governor of Goa.                     |           |
| 7.  | Shri B. Rachaiya, Former Governor of Himachal Pradesh and Kerala States |           |
| 8.  | Sardar Hazara Singh Hamdam, Freedom Fighter                             |           |
| 9.  | Sardar Pratam Singh, Freedom Fighter                                    |           |
| 10. | Shrimati Durga Devi, Freedom Fighter                                    |           |
| 11. | Giani Charan Singh, Freedom Fighter                                     |           |
| 12. | Victims of Cyclone in the States of Orissa and Andhra Pradesh.          |           |
| 13. | Victims of the Bomb Blast in a Bus near Sirhind; and                    |           |
| 14. | Shrimati Geeta Mukherji, Ex-M.P.  |           |
| 15. | Killings at Village Chatti Singh Pura in District Anantnag (J&K).       | 22-3-2000 |

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memories of the deceased on both the occasions.

## 6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

### 1. Supplementary Demands for Grants for expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (Second Instalment)

(i) Supplementary Demands for grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (Second Instalment) were presented to the Sabha on the 14th March, 2000 and these were discussed and voted on the 15th March, 2000.

There were 21 Demands in all totalling a sum of Rs. 33,11,15,06,000/-.

In accordance with the past practice a general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands together was permitted on the 15th March, 2000. One Member each from Congress and CPI spoke for 17 minutes and 25 minutes respectively. The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 15 minutes. The Demands were put to the vote of the House and carried.

(ii) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2000 (No. 3-PLA of 2000) in respect of Supplementary Demands voted upon by the Sabha on the 15th March, 2000 and expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab was introduced on the 15th March, 2000.

It was before the House for 10 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the 15th March, 2000.

### 2. The Budget Estimates for the Year 2000-2001

(i) The Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001 were presented to the House on the 22nd March, 2000.

General Discussion on the Budget was held on the —

27th March, 2000	For 140 minutes (Treasury 74 minutes and Congress 66 minutes)
28th March, 2000	For 134 minutes (Treasury 69 minutes, Congress 30 minutes and CPI 35 minutes).
29th March, 2000	For 194 minutes (Treasury 126 minutes, Congress 29 minutes, BSP 10 minutes, SAD(M) 15 minutes and Independent 14 minutes).

The total time taken by the Treasury Benches including time taken by the Finance Minister was 269 minutes, Congress 125 minutes, CPI 35 minutes, BSP 10 minutes, SAD(M) 15 minutes and Independent 14 minutes.

(ii) **Demands for Grants** :—There were in all 30 demands for grants totalling a sum of Rs. 2,31,10,29,21,000/-. All the Demands were discussed on the 30th March, 2000 (Morning Sitting). One Member each from Congress, CPI, SAD(M) and BSP took part in the discussion and spoke for 36 minutes, 24 minutes, 12 minutes and 9 minutes respectively.

All the Demands were put together to the vote of the House with the consent of the House and carried.

(iii) **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill 2000** :—The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2000 (No. 14-PLA-2000) in respect of the Demands voted by the Sabha and Expenditure Charged on the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab was introduced on the 30th March, 2000 (Morning Sitting).

It was before the House for 68 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the 30th March, 2000 (Morning Sitting).

### 3. **Excess Demands over Grants and Appropriations for the years 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96.**

(i) Excess Demands over Grants and Appropriations for the years 1990-91 to 1995-96 were presented to the Sabha on the 4th April, 2000 (Morning Sitting) and voted upon on the same day.

There were 27 Demands in all amounting to Rs. 1,72,86,88,175/-, Rs. 1,69,01,63,932/-, Rs. 4,86,55,95,923/-, Rs. 1,47,47,53,625/-, Rs. 3,06,03,44,620/-, and Rs. 2,30,40,69,083/- for the years 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 respectively.

These Demands were put together to the vote of the House and carried.

(ii) **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 2000 (Bill No. 18-PLA of 2000)** in respect of Excess Demands mentioned above was introduced on the 4th April, 2000 (Morning Sitting).

It was before the House for 10 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the same day.

## 7. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on 15-3-2000, 30-3-2000 (M.S.), 3-4-2000 and 4-4-2000 (M.S.)

### I. Official Bills

The Sabha passed 18 Bills in all (including three Appropriation Bills). (See Table)

### II. Non-Official Bill

NIL.

TABLE

Serial No.	Title of the Bill	Minister introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of consideration	Number of Speeches						Time taken in minutes						Amendments proposed						Amendments not moved/Withdrawn/ Held out of order/ Leave Refused						Amendments Carried						Total time taken in minutes for the disposal of the Bill	Date of passing	Remarks
					Treasury	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D. (M)	IND.	Treasury	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D. (M)	IND.	Treasury	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D. (M)	IND.	Treasury	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D. (M)	IND.	Treasury	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D. (M)	IND.			
1.	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 17) Bill, 2000	Finance Minister	15-3-2000	15-3-2000	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	15-3-2000	
2.	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2000	—do—	30-3-2000 (M.S.)	30-3-2000 (M.S.)	9	—	—	—	—	—	68	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	68	30-3-2000 (M.S.)	
3.	The Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Bill 2000	Minster for Transport	3-4-2000	3-4-2000	1	1	—	—	—	—	7	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	3-4-2000	
4.	The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 2000	Minister for Rev. and Rehabilitation	3-4-2000	3-4-2000	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	3-4-2000	
5.	The Registration (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 2000	—do—	3-4-2000	3-4-2000	1	1	—	—	—	—	7	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	3-4-2000	
6.	The Punjab Entertainments Duty (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2000	Minister for Excise and Taxation	3-4-2000	3-4-2000	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	3-4-2000	
7.	The Punjab Tax on Entry of Goods into Local Areas Bill, 2000	—do—	3-4-2000	3-4-2000	2	—	1	—	—	—	9	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	3-4-2000	
8.	The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2000	—do—	3-4-2000	3-4-2000	1	1	1	—	—	—	9	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	3-4-2000	
9.	The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2000	Minister for Rural Dev. & Panchayats	3-4-2000	3-4-2000	1	1	1	—	—	—	8	9	3	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22	3-4-2000	

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10.	The Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000	Minister for Local Govt.	3-4-2000	3-4-2000	3	1	1	—	—	—	19	7	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	32	3-4-2000			
11.	The Punjab School Education Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000	Minister for Education	3-4-2000	3-4-2000	2	—	1	—	—	—	11	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	3-4-2000			
12.	The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2000	Minister for Excise & Taxation	3-4-2000	3-4-2000	1	1	1	—	—	—	7	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	3-4-2000			
13.	The East Punjab Ministers Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 2000	Minister for Parl. Affairs	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	4-4-2000 (M.S.)			
14.	The Salaries and Allowances of Deputy Ministers, Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 2000	—do—	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	4-4-2000 (M.S.)			
15.	The Punjab General Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 2000	Minister for Excise & Taxation	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	3	1	1	—	—	—	8	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	4-4-2000 (M.S.)			
16.	The Punjab General Sales Tax (Fourth Amendment) Bill, 2000	—do—	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	1	1	—	—	—	—	10	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	4-4-2000 (M.S.)			
17.	The Punjab Social Security Bill, 2000	Minister for Social Security & Dev. of Women & Children	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	1	1	—	—	—	—	10	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	4-4-2000 (M.S.)			
18.	The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 2000	Minister for Finance	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	4-4-2000 (M.S.)	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	4-4-2000 (M.S.)			

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## 8. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA

### 1. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 15th March, 2000).

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of the sums required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by the Legislative Assembly for the expenditure for the Financial year 1999-2000.

### 2. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 30th March, 2000) (Morning Sitting).

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of all moneys required to meet the expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund and the Grants made in advance by the Legislative Assembly in respect of the estimated expenditure of the State Government, for the Financial Year 2000-2001.

### 3. The Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 3rd April, 2000).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1999) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act so as to determine the rate of tax on the basis of price of the Vehicle because the person who can spend more money on the Vehicle can pay more tax to the Government.

### 4. The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 3rd April, 2000).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act so as to define the definition of 'Collector' and to add the definition of 'Commissioner'.

### 5. The Registration (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 3rd April, 2000).

This Bill seeks to amend the Registration Act, 1908, in its application to the State of Punjab, so as to omit sub-section (2) of Section 30 and also Section 67 of the Principal Act.

### 6. The Punjab Entertainments Duty (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 3rd April, 2000).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Entertainments Duty (Second Amendment and Validation Ordinance No. 10 of 1999 which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act to bring Cable T.V. Operators and Video Parlours within the ambit of taxation under the Principal Act.

7. The Punjab Tax on Entry of Goods into Local Areas Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 3rd April, 2000.)

This Bill replaces the Punjab Tax on Entry of Goods into Local Areas Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 9 of 1999) which was promulgated to provide for the levy of tax on entry of scheduled goods into the local areas of the State of Punjab for consumption or use or sale therein.

8. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 3rd April, 2000).

This Bill replaces the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 1999), which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act to increase limit of maximum rate of tax to 20% on Schedule 'A' goods so that in case of need, the rate of tax on such items may be enhanced.

9. The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 3rd April, 2000).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 11 of 1999) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act to provide inter-alia that 70% of the elected members in the Panchayat Samities be filled from amongst the Sarpanches and the balance through direct election.

10. The Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 3rd April, 2000).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 1999) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act so as to make room for an IAS Officer to be appointed as Managing Director of the Board.

11. **The Punjab School Education Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000.**  
(Introduced and passed on the 3rd April, 2000).

This Bill replaces the Punjab School Education Board (Amendment) Ordinance, 2000, (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 2000), which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act for making provision for emergency power of the Chairman of the Board as also making provision for laying the accounts of the Board on the Table of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

12. **The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2000.**

(Introduced and passed on the 3rd April, 2000).

This Bill replaces the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 2000), the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 2000) and the Punjab General Sales Tax (Third Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 2000), which were promulgated to amend the Principal Act for adopting of uniform floor rates of Sales Tax.

13. **The East Punjab Ministers Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 2000.**

(Introduced and passed on the 4th April, 2000) (M.S.)

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act for allowing the Ministers a repayable advance of Rs. 6 Lakhs who surrender their State Cars.

14. **The Salaries and Allowances of Deputy Ministers, Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 2000.**

(Introduced and passed on the 4th April, 2000) (M.S.)

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act for allowing the Deputy Ministers a repayable advance of Rs. 6 Lakhs who surrender their State Cars.

15. **The Punjab General Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 2000.**

(Introduced and passed on the 4th April, 2000) (M.S.)

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act so as to avoid issuance of Bill/cash memo from loose books to check the evasion of tax on large scale,

16. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Fourth Amendment) Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 4th April, 2000) (M.S.).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act so as to delete Section 5-A of the Act *ibid* to abolish the Additional Tax @10% levied.

17. The Punjab Social Security Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 4th April, 2000) (M.S.).

This Bill seeks to provide for the establishment of the Punjab Social Security Fund with a view to render assistance in the form of pension to senior citizens, widows and destitute women, dependant children, disabled persons and to provide other similar social security measures.

18. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 4th April, 2000) (M.S.).

This Bill seeks to provide for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of the sums required to meet the expenditure on account of Excess over Grants and Appropriation for the years 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96.

## RESOLUTIONS

### (i) Official

1. The following Resolution was moved on the 30th March, 2000 by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs :—

“Whereas the elections to the :—

1. Committee on Public Accounts;
2. Committee on Estimates;
3. Committee on Public Undertakings; and
4. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes,

for the year 2000-2001, are to be held before the 31st March, 2000; and

WHEREAS the time left at the disposal of the House is extremely short and it is not possible to conduct, in the normal course, the election to these committees;

NOW, therefore, this House authorises the Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha, to nominate the members of the aforesaid Committees for the aforesaid year, keeping in view the proportionate strength of various parties/groups in the House;

This House further resolves that for the above purpose, the rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) relating to the elections to the said Committees for the year 2000-2001 which are inconsistent with or contrary to the above Resolution, shall stand suspended."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

2. The following Resolution under Article 368 of the Constitution was moved on 4th April, 2000 (Afternoon sitting) by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs :—

"That this House ratifies the amendment to the Constitution of India falling within the purview of clause (d) of the proviso to clause (2) of Article 368, proposed to be made by the Constitution (Eighty-fourth Amendment) Bill, 1999, as passed by the two Houses of Parliament."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

3. The following Resolution was moved on the 4th April, 2000 (Afternoon sitting) by the Minister for Power —

"WHEREAS in pursuance of the provisions of sub-section (3) of Section 65 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 (Central Act No. 54 of 1948), the Government of Punjab intends to raise the limit of maximum amount, which the Punjab State Electricity Board may at any time, have on loan under sub-section (1) of Section 65 of the said Act, from the existing limit of Rs. 3,000 Crores, fixed with the approval of the Vidhan Sabha vide Government of Punjab, Department of Irrigation and Power memo No. 2/2/95-IPE(5)/7531, dated 7th April, 1998, to Rs. 4,000 Crores (Rupees four thousand crores only) which can be done by it with the approval of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

NOW THEREFORE, it is resolved and this House does hereby accord its approval to the fixing of the sum of Rs. 4,000 Crores (Rupees four thousand crores only) as the maximum amount which the Punjab State Electricity Board at any time have on loan under sub-section(1) of Section 65 of the Act aforesaid."

Seven Members took part in the discussion from Treasury Benches (including Minister for Power) and one each from INC, C.P.I. and S.A.D.(M) speaking for 21 minutes, 2 minutes, 10 minutes and 2 minutes respectively.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

4. The following Resolution was moved on 4th April, 2000 (Afternoon Sitting) by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs :—

"WHEREAS the Punjab Legislative Assembly considers that it is desirable to have a uniform law throughout India for the regulation of Public Debt of the States and for all matters connected therewith or ancillary and incidental thereto;

And whereas, the subject matter of such a law is relatable mainly to the matter enumerated in entry 43 in List II in the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India;

And whereas, the Parliament has no power to make such a law for the States with respect to the matter enumerated in entry 43 in List II aforesaid except as provided in Article 249 and 250 of the Constitution of India;

And whereas, the Public Debt Act, 1944, is applicable for marketable loans raised by the Reserve Bank of India on behalf of both the Union and the State Governments;

And whereas, it is felt desirable to repeal the Public Debt Act, 1944 (Central Act 18 of 1944) and replace the same with a new Legislation viz. "Government Securities Act" in order to enable the Reserve Bank of India to render efficient and improved service to the holders of Government Securities;

Now, therefore, in pursuance of clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India, this House resolves that the Parliament be empowered to regulate by law matters relating to Government securities and all other matters connected there with or ancillary or incidental thereto."



The Motion was put to the vote of the House and, carried unanimously.

5. The following Resolution was moved on the 16th March, 2000 by the Hon'ble Chief Minister :—

“This House congratulates Mr. Ujjal Dosanjh on his being elevated as Premier of British Columbia a prosperous State of Canada. This House feels pride when a son of the soil, a Punjabi, has shown his worth and achieved a mile stone by earning respect and good will from the Canadian community.

The Punjabis on his elevation as Premier of Columbia feel that his elevation is rare honour for a Punjabi for his devotion to his duty and love for humanity and social work.

This House on behalf of all Punjabis wishes Mr. Ujjal Dosanjh success in every walk of life and hopes for cordial relations between Punjabi and Canadian community.”

Five Members took part in the discussion one from Treasury Benches (Minister for Local Government) and one each from I.N.C., C.P.I., B.S.P. S.A.D. (Mann) and Independent speaking for 8 minutes, 3 minutes, 4 minutes, 4 minutes and 3 minutes respectively. The Hon'ble Speaker also took part in the discussion.

The motion was carried.

6. The following Resolution was moved on the 28th March, 2000 by the Chief Minister :—

“That this House pays heartiest congratulations to distinguished Punjabi Writer and literateur Sardar Gurdial Singh and Shri Nirmal Verma for having been honoured with ‘Gyanpeeth Award (the highest National Award for literature) by the ‘Sahitya Academy’ for their extraordinary contributions in the fields of Punjabi and Hindi literature, respectively. It is a matter of glory and honour in the real sense for every Punjabi for their having been awarded with such a high honour for promoting Punjabi-Hindi literature and Punjabiat.”

Two members took part in the discussion from Treasury Benches (Chief Minister and Minister for Local Government) and one each from I.N.C., C.P.I., C.P.I.(M) and Independent, speaking for six minutes, two minutes, two minutes, one minute and one minute respectively.

The Motion was carried.

(ii) Non-Official

Sr. No.	Total	Treasury Benches	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	B.S.P.	S.A.D. (Mann)	Independent
1.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1. Number of notices received	34	13	8	10	—	1	2
2. Number of notices admitted	33	12	8	10	—	1	2
3. Number of notices disallowed	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
4. Number of resolutions for Ballots	18	8	4	3	—	1	2
5. Total number of Resolutions which lapsed on prorogation	30						
6. Number of ballots held	3						
7. Date on which business other than Government business was transacted			9-3-2000, 16-3-2000 and 30-3-2000				
8. Dates on which ballot was held			7-3-2000, 15-3-2000 and 29-3-2000				

1. On Thursday, the 9th March, 2000 Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, M.L.A. moved the following resolution.

"This House strongly recommends to the State Government to enact legislation for taking effective steps to control population in the State of Punjab."

This Resolution was discussed in the House for 2 hours and 25 minutes. Five Members from Treasury Benches and one each from Indian National Congress, C.P.I. and B.S.P. participated in the discussion and spoke for 1 hour 47 minutes, 21 minutes, 10 minutes and 8 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was talked out.

2. On Thursday, the 16th March, 2000, Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, M.L.A. moved the following Resolution :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to take steps for setting up Guru Gobind Singh Chair in one of the Universities in the State on the occasion of Tercentenary of the Birth of Khalsa, so as to make the world aware of the historical achievements made by Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji and Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji for the universal benefit of humanity, human dignity and freedom of the mankind through the principles of Sikh Religion."

The Resolution was discussed in the House for 2 hours and 17 minutes. 6 members from the Treasury Benches, one member each from Indian National Congress, Communist Party of India and Bahujan Samaj Party participated in the discussion and spoke for 1 hour 60 minutes, 03 minutes, 07 minutes and 09 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was talked out.

3. On Thursday, the 30th March, 2000 (Afternoon sitting) Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, S.A.D. (Mann) moved the following Resolution :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to take steps for providing free electricity to the persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes, Backward Classes and other poor Classes in all the areas of the State, on the analogy of its scheme for providing free electricity to the farmers in the rural areas of the State."

The Resolution was discussed in the House for 2 hours and 56 minutes. Eight Members from the Treasury Benches, One Member each from the Indian National Congress and Communist Party of India and one Member of the Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann) participated in the discussion and spoke for one hour and 51 minutes, 31 minutes, 04 minutes and 30 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was talked out.

#### 10. PAPERS LAID

Sr. No.	By whom laid	Date on which laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	9-3-2000	1. (i) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 1999. (Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 1999); (ii) The Punjab Tax on Entry of Goods into Local Areas Ordinance, 1999. (Punjab Ordinance No. 9 of 1999) (iii) The Punjab Entertainments Duty (Second Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 1999. (Punjab Ordinance No. 10 of 1999); (iv) The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999. (Punjab Ordinance No. 11 of 1999); (v) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 2000. (Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 2000);

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			(vi) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Ordinance 2000, (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 2000; and
			(vii) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Third Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 2000. (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 2000).as required under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution of India.
		2.	The Constitution (Eighty-fourth Amendment) Bill, 1999. as passed by the Houses of Parliament.
		3.	The Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation (General) (First Amendment) Rules, 1999, as required under Section 32(3) of the Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation Act, 1978.
		4.	The Punjab Municipal Election Rules, 1994, alongwith its First Amendment, as required under section 139(3) of the Punjab State Election Commission Act, 1994.
		5.	The Audit Observations on the Utilization of the Grants received by the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana during the period from 1st April, 1993 to 31st March, 1994 alongwith Government's comments, as required under Section 34 (5) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.

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6. The Grant Utilization Certificate and Audit Observations on the Utilization of Grants received by the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana during the period from 1-4-94 to 31-3-95 alongwith Government's comments, as required under Section 34(5) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
7. The Audit Reports on Accounts of Punjab Financial Corporation for the years ending 31st March, 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997 submitted by the Accountant General (Audit), Punjab.
8. The Annual Reports and Balance Sheets of the Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation for the years 1995-96, 1996-97 and 1997-98, as required under Section 23(6) of the Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation Act 1978.
9. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Dairy Development Corporation Ltd. for the year ending 31st March, 1994 as required under Section 619-A, of the Companies Act, 1956.
10. The 25th Annual Report of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
11. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Reports of the Punjab State Leather Development Corporation Ltd. for the years 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95.

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12. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Administration Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1998-99.
13. The 20th Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 619-A, of the Companies Act, 1956.
14. The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab Urban Planning and Development Authority for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 53(1) of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Act, 1955 read with Rule 19.
15. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Police Housing Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
16. The 15th Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1993-94, along with the Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Reports of the said Corporation for the year 1994-95, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

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17. The 18th Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. for the year 1991-92, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956,
  18. The Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1997-98 along with Review, as required under Section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
  19. The Administration Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1997-98, along with Review, as required under Section 35(3) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
  20. The Audit Report on Accounts of Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ending 31st March, 1998.
  21. The Annual Administrative Report of Local fund Audit Organisation Punjab for the year 1997-98.
  22. The Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana for the year 1996-97, along with Government's comments, as required under Section 39(3) for the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
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| <p>2. Minister for 13-3-2000<br/>Parliamentary<br/>Affairs</p> <p>3. Minister for 14-3-2000<br/>Parliamentary<br/>Affairs</p> <p>4. Minister for 27-3-2000<br/>Parliamentary<br/>Affairs</p> | <p>23. The 14th Annual Report of the Punjab Khadi and Village Industries Board for the year 1996-97.</p> <p>24. The Statement showing the Reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the Year 1998-99.</p> <p>The Annual Financial Statement of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 2000-2001, as required under section 61 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.</p> <p>The Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999, (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1999), as required under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p>1. The Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 1999), as required, under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p>2. The Audit Observations on the Utilization of Grants received by the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana during the period from 1-4-95 to 31-3-96, alongwith Government's comments, as required under Section 34(5) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.</p> |
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3. The Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana for the year 1997-98, along with Government's comments, as required under Section 39(3) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
4. The Annual Reports of the Punjab Health Systems Corporation for the years 1995-96, 1996-97, and 1997-98, as required under Section 21(4) of the Punjab Health Systems Corporation Act, 1996.
5. The 21st Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97 as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
6. The Audit observations on the Utilization of the Grants received by the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana during the period from 1-4-96 to 31-3-97, alongwith Government's comments, as required under Section 34(5) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
7. The 19th Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. (PUNSUP) for the year 1992-93, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

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5. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	28-3-2000	8. (i) The Government of Punjab Appropriation Accounts 1998- 99; and  (ii) The Government of Punjab, Finance Accounts, 1998-99;  as required under Clause (2) of Article 151 of the Constitution of India.	1. The Punjab School Education Board (Amendment) Ordinance, 2000, (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 2000), as required under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitu- tion of India.  2. (i) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (First Amendment) Rules, 1994;  (ii) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Second Amendment) Rules; 1997;  (iii) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Third Amendment) Rules, 1997;  (iv) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (First Amendment) Rules, 1999;  (v) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Second Amendment) Rules, 1999;  (vi) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Third Amendment) Rules, 1999;

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(vii) The Punjab Motor Vehicles  
(First Amendment) Rules,  
2000;

(viii) The Punjab Motor Vehicles  
(Second Amendment) Rules  
2000;

(ix) The Punjab Motor Vehicles  
(Amendment) Rules, 2000;

as required under Section 212 of  
the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.

3. The Sales Regulations of the  
Punjab State Electricity Board  
for Supply of Electric Energy to  
Consumers (updated to 31-3-1999)  
and Conditions of Supply for  
sale of Electric Energy to  
Consumers (updated to 31-3-1999).

6. Minister for 3-4-2000  
Parliamentary  
Affairs

(i) The Punjab Reservation for  
the offices of Sarpanches of  
Gram Panchayats and Chairman  
and Vice-Chairmen of Panchayat  
Samitis and Zila Parishads  
(First Amendment) Rules, 2000;  
and

(ii) The Punjab Panchayat Samitis  
and Zila Parishads Services  
(First Amendment) Rules, 2000,  
as required under Section 227  
(3) of the Punjab Panchayati Raj  
Act, 1994.

## 11. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Sr. No.	By Whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
<b>I. Business Advisory Committee</b>			
1.	Speaker	7-3-2000 (i)	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
2.	—do—	27-3-2000 (ii)	Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
<b>II. Committee on Public Accounts</b>			
1.	Chairman	15-3-2000 (i)	122nd Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1990-91 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1990-91 (Civil) relating to Science, Technology and Environment and Industries Departments.
		(ii)	123rd Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1987-88 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1987-88 (RR) relating to Transport, Revenue and Irrigation Department.
		(iii)	124th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1992-93 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1992-93 (RR) relating to Excise and Taxation Department.

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		(iv)	125th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1987-88 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1987-88 (RR) relating to Excise and Taxation Department.
2.	Chairman	27-3-2000	(i) 126th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1990-91 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1990-91 (RR) relating to Excise and Taxation Department.
		(ii)	127th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1994-95 and 1996-97 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1994-95 (RR) and 1996-97 (RR) relating to the Departments of Agriculture and Horticulture.
3.	—do—	28-3-2000	(i) 128th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1993-94 and 1994-95 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1993-94 (RR) and 1994-95 (RR) relating to the Revenue Department.

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- (ii) 129th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1996-97 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1996-97 (Civil) relating to the Department of Rural Development and Panchayats.

### III. Committee on Public undertakings

1. Chairman 14-3-2000 62nd and 63rd Reports of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1999-2000, on the Audit paras appearing in the reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1985-86, 1991-92 and 1988-89 (Commercial) relating to Punjab State Electricity Board and Punjab State Seeds Corporation Limited.
2. Chairman 16-3-2000 64th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1999-2000, relating to Corporations/Boards which are running into losses.
3. Chairman 29-3-2000 65th and 66th Reports of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1999-2000, relating to the expenditure on Vehicles of Boards/Corporations of Punjab State and General Working of the Punjab State Forest Developments Corporation Limited respectively.

### IV. Committee on Estimates

1. Chairman 14-3-2000 Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (Second Instalment).

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2.	Chairman 29-3-2000	Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1999-2000 in respect of Transport Department, Punjab.	
<b>V. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes</b>			
1.	Chairman 15-3-2000	24th Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 1999-2000, in respect of the reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in Services and Posts in respect of the Prosecution and Litigation and Cooperation Departments.	
2.	Chairman 28-3-2000	25th and 26th Reports of the Committee on Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 1999-2000 in respect of the reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in Services & Posts in respect of the Punjab School Education Board and the Punjab Financial Corporation.	
<b>VI. Committee on Papers Laid/to be Laid on the Table</b>			
1.	Chairman 29-3-2000	11th Report of the Committee on Papers laid/to be laid on the Table for the year 1999-2000.	
<b>VII. Committee on Government Assurances</b>			
1.	Chairman 30-3-2000 (Morning Sitting)	33rd Report of the Committee on Government Assurances for the year 1999-2000.	
<b>VIII. Committee on Subordinate Legislation</b>			
1.	Chairman 30-3-2000 (Afternoon Sitting)	29th Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year 1999-2000.	



## 12. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Notice of four Adjournment Motions were received on different dates from different Members. Out of these, two were mentioned in the House, the details of which are given below :—

Sr. No.	Date of the Motion	Date on which mentioned in the House	Member(s) giving notice	Subject	Decision
1	9-3-2000	9-3-2000	Sardar Ravi Inder Singh,	Imposition of illegal	Disallowed
		13-3-2000	Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira	curfew in the State on 4-3-2000	
2	15-3-2000	16-3-2000	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala and Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi	Decision regarding imposition of tax on use at private generators	Disallowed

## 13. QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE

Notices of eight Privilege Motions were received but none was admitted/disposed of in the House.

# 14. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject	Decision/Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	9-3-2000	9-3-2000	Adoption of recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
2.	Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA	10-3-2000	10-3-2000 13-3-2000 14-3-2000	Motion of thanks for the Address delivered by the Government on 6th March, 2000	Carried on 14-3-2000
3.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	27-3-2000	27-3-2000	Adoption of recommendations contained in the Second Reports of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
4.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	4-4-2000 (Afternoon Sitting)	4-4-2000 (Afternoon Sitting)	Motion under Rule 16 regarding Adjournment of House Since-die	Carried

## MOTION UNDER RULE 77

Four notices of motions Under Rule 77 were received. One notice was admitted. The detail of the admitted notice is given below : —

Sr. No.	Member giving Notice	Notice received on	Discussed on	Subject Matter
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	15-3-2000	4-4-2000 (Afternoon Sitting)	Setting up of a new city in the name of Anandgarh on the occasion of Tercentenary Celebrations of Khalsa.

## 16. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 66

In all 81 notices calling attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these 38 were admitted. The detail of 38 admitted notices which were taken up in the House, is given below :—

The rest were disallowed by the Speaker in his chamber on one ground or the other.

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member (s) Calling Attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	2	Sh. Satya Pal Saini	9-3-2000	Reg. slow pace of progress of construction work of Shahpur Kandi Dam resulting in wastage of water to be released from Ranjit Sagar Dam.	The Irrigation Minister made a Statement in this regard.
2.	3 & 7	(i) Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (ii) Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi	9-3-2000	Reg. halting of teaching work in Medical Colleges in the State due to strike by the teaching staff as they have not been paid arrears of pay Commission's Report, 1996.	The Medical Education Minister made a Statement in this regard.

3.	4	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	9-3-2000	Reg. non-existence of any arrangements for the treatment of Orthopaedics diseases in Guru Nanak Dev Hospital affiliated with the Medical College Amritsar.	The Medical Education Minister made a Statement in this regard.
4.	6	Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	10-3-2000	Reg. danger caused by 133 K. V. main line of Guru Nanak Dev Thermal Plant passing over Ganesha Basti, Aggarwal Colony, Chandisar Basti, Suraj Basti, Ajit Road in Bhatinda resulting in many mishappenings in the areas.	The Minister for power made a Statement in this regard.
5.	8	(i) Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta (ii) Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	10-3-2000	Reg. deaths of many sheep after drinking effluent discharged from the factory located at Ghollumajra Village on Ambala Chandigarh Road.	The Chief Minister made a statement in this regard.

1	2	3	4	5	6
6.	9	(i) Com. Ajaib Singh Raunia (ii) Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	10-3-2000	Reg. disconnection of power supply to the water Works in Villages of Districts Bhatinda, Mansa, Faridkot, Sangrur, Ferozepur and Moga on account of non-payment of power bills.	The Minister for power made a statement in this regard.
7.	11	(i) Com. Hardev Singh Arshi (ii) Com. Ajaib Singh Raunia	13-3-2000	Reg. Discontentment amongst the farmers due to the low price of potatoes in the State.	The Agriculture Minister made a statement in this regard.
8.	13	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	13-3-2000	Reg. frequent power failure in Amritsar City resulting in disruption in water supply in the city for hours together.	The power Minister made a statement in this regard.
9.	14 & 27	(i) Sh. Satya Pal Saini (ii) S. Inderjit Singh Zira (iii) S. Harmail Singh Tohra.	13-3-2000	Reg. discontentment amongst the farmer community in the State due to increase in the price of Urca.	The Agriculture Minister made a statement in this regard.

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| 10. 16      | (i) Prof. Jagir Singh<br>Bhullar   | 14-3-2000 | Reg. difficulties being faced by the students due to power cuts in the morning and evening in rural areas in the State.   | The Power Minister made a statement in this regard.                                  |
|             | (ii) S. Sukhwinder Singh<br>Aulakh |           |   |  |
|             | (iii) S. Gurdip Singh<br>Bhullar   |           |   |  |
| 11. 19      | (i) Com. Ajaib Singh<br>Raunta     | 14-3-2000 | Reg. non-acceptance of Scheduled Caste Certificates issued more than three years back for getting admission in the Elementary Teachers Training of Education Department.  | The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister made a statement in this regard. |
|             | (ii) Com. Hardev Singh<br>Arshi    |           |   |  |
| 12. 21 & 22 | (i) Com. Hardev Singh<br>Arshi     | 14-3-2000 | Reg. non. disbursement of the amount of Grants to the Privately managed Government aided Colleges by the Government in the State resulting in non-payment of Salaries to College Teachers for the last some months. | The Higher Education Minister made a statement in this regard.                       |
|             | (ii) Smt. Laxmi Kanta<br>Chawla.   |           |   |  |

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13.	23	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	15-3-2000	Reg. submergence of a large number of houses in sullage water due to damage caused to the Bashirpur Sewerage Disposal Plant (constructed for disposing sewerage water from Jalandhar city.)	The Minister for Local Government made a statement in this regard.
14.	24 & 26	(i) Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (ii) Com. Hardev Singh Arshi (iii) Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta	15-3-2000	Reg. non-payment of salaries to the employees of Punjab Wireless Systems Ltd. Mohali, (PUNWIRE) since July, 1999.	The Chief Minister made a statement in this regard.
15.	28	S. Gurdeep Singh Bhullar	15-3-2000	Reg. issuance of notices by Archaeological Department, Government of India for the vacation of building at Noormahal where the Senior Secondary School is running.	The Education Minister made a statement in this regard.



16. 25 Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla 16-3-2000 Reg. difficulties being faced by the School/Coll-  
ege students in the State due to nuisance created by the un-restricted use of loud speakers. The Chief Minister made a statement in this regard.
17. 34 Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla 27-3-2000 Reg. poor sanitation arrangements in Amritsar city resulting in apprehension of spreading of diseases in the City. The Local Government Minister made a statement in this regard.
18. 37 (i) S. Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh  
(ii) S. Gurdip Singh Bhullar  
(iii) S. Makhan Singh 27-3-2000 Reg. inadequate arrangements for lifting of paddy from the Ware Houses/Shellers in the State. The Food and Supplies Minister made a statement in this regard.
19. 44 Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla 27-3-2000 Reg. continuation of the recovery of border area House Rent inspite of the Government's Assurance not to effect recovery. The Finance Minister made a statement in this regard.

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20.	49	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	28-3-2000	Reg. non-availability of medicines for the patients suffering from Tuberculosis in the T.B. Hospital, Amritsar.	The Medical Education Minister made a statement in this regard.
21.	50	Smt. Daxmi Kanta Chawla	28-3-2000	Reg. non-supply of medicines to the mental patients in the Mental Hospital, Amritsar, due to which the patients suffering from insomnia, keep awake the whole night and the atmosphere in the Hospital becomes tense and un-manageable.	The Health and Family Welfare Minister made a statement in this regard.
22.	54	(i) Com. Hardev Singh Arshj	28-3-2000	Reg. leakage in Mukerian Hydrel Canal at R.D. 11250 (Village Khatarh) resulting in apprehension of huge financial loss,	The Power Minister made a statement in this regard.
		(ii) Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta			

23.	57	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	30-3-2000 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. mass copying in the 10+2 examinations in Schools in the State.	The Education Minister made a statement in this regard.
24.	58	Sh. Satya Pal Saini	30-3-2000 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. difficulties being faced by the passengers because the Buses of Pathankot and Hoshiarpur Depots do not touch Mohali Bus Stand while going from Chandigarh to Pathankot and back.	The Transport Minister made a statement in this regard.
25.	60	Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta	30-3-2000 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. discontentment amongst the residents of Ward Nos. 8, 9 & 10 because of conta- minated water being supplied by Municipal Council, Moga.	The Local Government Mini- ster made a statement in this regard.
26.	62	Dr. Ram Kumar Goel	30-3-2000 (Afternoon Sitting)	Reg. damaged sewerage system in Abohar Town resulting in apprehension of breaking out of epidemic in the Town.	The Local Government Mini- ster made a statement in this regard.
27.	63	S. Jagtar Singh Rajla	3-4-2000	Reg. non-payment of price of sugarcane to the farmers by some Sugar Mills in the State after 13th Dec., 1999.	The Agriculture Minister made a statement in this regard.

1	2	3	4	5	6
28.	65	S. Jagtar Singh Rajla	3-4-2000	Reg. non-issuance of Certificates after checking pollution of vehicles in Tehsils Samana and Patiala thus extracting money on the pretext of vehicles Pollution Check.	The Transport Minister made a statement in this regard.
29.	66	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	3-4-2000	Reg. extreme resentment prevailing amongst the masses and particularly the people belonging to low middle classes due to enhancement in the admission fees of the Schools to the extent of 50% to 100% during the month of March, 2000	The Education Minister made a statement in this regard.
30.	67	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	4-4-2000 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. extracting money on the pretext of capitation fee/building fund from the students seeking admissions in the Primary Classes in the Public Schools situated in Amritsar, Jalandhar, Ludhiana and other smaller towns in the State.	The Education Minister made a statement in this regard.

31.	68	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	4-4-2000 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. extreme distress prevailing amongst the 240 students of Dashmesh Institute of Research and Dental Sciences, Faridkot due to non-recognition of their Degree by the Dental Council of India.	The Medical Education Minister made a statement in this regard.
32.	70	S. Jagtar Singh Rajla	4-4-2000 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. poor sanitation conditions in Bajwa Colony, Hargobind Colony, Model Town, Indira Colony, Virk Colony, Anand Nagar and Tripri Town of Patiala City resulting in apprehension of breaking out epidemic in the City.	The Minister for Local Government made a statement in this regard.
33.	75	(i) S. Gardev Singh Sidhu (ii) S. Makhan Singh (iii) S. Sital Singh	4-4-2000 (Afternoon Sitting)	Reg. proposed meeting of the Department of Social Welfare, Punjab on 6th April, 2000 to review the reservation for the Scheduled Castes in services and posts.	The Minister for Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes made a statement in this regard.
34.	76	Com. Hardev Singh Arshi	4-4-2000 (Afternoon Sitting)	Reg. non-supply of drinking water to three villages due to burning of electric motor of Water Works installed in villages Datewas, Tehsil Budhlada, District Mansa.	The Public Health Minister made a statement in this regard.

## 17. STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

The Chief Minister/Ministers made 34 Statements in reply to Call Attention Notices.

## 18. STATEMENTS MADE IN REPLY TO MATTERS RAISED DURING ZERO HOUR

Seven Statements were made in reply to various matters raised by the Hon'ble Members during Zero Hour, the details of which are as under :—

Sr. No.	Date	Made by	Subject-matter
1	2	3	4
1.	10th March, 2000	Chief Minister	Regarding roll back of the price rise of Urea, an essential input for the farmers.
2.	15th March, 2000	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	Regarding arrest of Sardar Surjan Singh, Joga, Ex-MLA due to non-payment of loan instalments by him.
3.	16th March, 2000	Chief Minister	Regarding permission for setting up of Generator Sets in the State.
4.	27th March, 2000	Chief Minister	Regarding massacre of Sikhs in District Anantnag (Jammu & Kashmir)
5.	28th March, 2000	Minister for Higher Education	Regarding cancellation of the Examination Centre at Zira resulting in strike by the students.
6.	30th March, 2000 (Morning Sitting)	Chief Minister	Regarding providing of security cover to the Ex-Jathedar Sahib of Sri Akal Takht Sahib.
7.	4th April, 2000 (Afternoon Sitting)	Minister for Higher Secondary & Primary Education.	Regarding recruitment of E.T.T. and B. Ed. Teachers

# 19. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

Number of Speeches made by							Time taken by						
Treasury Benches		Members of INC	Members of CPI	Member of S.A.D. (M)	Member of B.S.P.	Indep- dents	Treasury Benches		Members of INC	Members of CPI	Member of S.A.D. (M)	Member of B.S.P.	Indep- dents
Members excluding Ministers	Ministers						Members excluding Ministers	Ministers					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
							H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	M.M.	H.M.
56	30	26	22	13	8	6	13.19	7.42 1/2	6.37 1/2	4.01	1.53	1.05	0.46
34.79	18.63	16.14	13.67	8.07	4.97	3.73	37.62	21.77	18.71	11.35	5.33	3.06	2.16
per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent

Notes.—(1) Observations Statements, Rollings, etc. by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the Statement.

(3) Time taken on Divisions, Adjournment Motions, No-Confidence Motions, Privilege Motions, Call Attention Notices, Points of Order, Motions in respect of Legislation, Personal Explanations, Presentation of Reports and other papers, etc. is also excluded from the Statement.

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## 20. FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1. Total No. of Sittings of the Sabha	..	17
2. Total No. of Notices of Questions received		
Starred	..	551
Unstarred	..	140
Short Notice	..	1
3. Total No. of Sittings at which Questions were not taken up	..	2
4. Total No. of Members from which notices were received	.	41
5. Total No. of Questions placed on Order paper		
Starred	..	294
Unstarred	..	94
6. Total No. of Starred Questions to which oral answers were given	..	156
7. Total No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions	..	71
8. Total No. of Unstarred Questions replied to	..	94
9. Total No. of Starred Questions postponed	..	25
10. Largest No. of Questions addressed to any one Minister (Chief Minister on 9-4-2000)	..	9
11. Largest No. of Questions orally answered by any one Minister (Chief Minister on 28-3-2000)	..	2

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## 21. QUESTIONS

Type of Questions	No. of Notices received	No. of admitted questions	No. of disallowed/referred questions	No. of Postponed questions not put back	No. of questions answered	No. of questions started converted as Unstarred	No. of questions deemed to have been drawn	No. of questions with- men- tar- ies
						Questions on proroga- tion	Questions answered under Rule 38	

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Starred ..	551	383	168	17	13	156	71	96	—	**539	
Unstarred ..	140	96	44	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Short											
Notices ..	*5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

\*One question given at a short notice was admitted as ordinary Starred Question and one as Unstarred Question.

\*\*Including 40 supplementaries on the Postponed Questions taken up on 28-3-2000 and 4-4-2000 (M.S.) and 4-4-2000 (A.S.)

22. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS ANSWERED, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD (M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
9-3-2000	3	2	2	2	—	—	—	9
10-3-2000	13	—	2	—	2	—	—	17
13-3-2000	7	1	2	1	—	—	—	11
14-3-2000	4	—	2	1	2	—	—	9
15-3-2000	6	1	1	1	1	—	—	10
16-3-2000	4	—	—	2	—	—	—	7
22-3-2000	4	3	5	—	2	—	—	14
27-3-2000	8	3	—	—	—	—	—	11
28-3-2000	6	3	3	2	—	—	—	14
29-3-2000	8	1	2	—	2	—	—	13
30-3-2000	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	7
(M.S.)								
30-3-2000	11	—	1	—	2	—	—	14
(A.S.)								
3-4-2000	5	2	1	1	2	—	—	11
4-4-2000	4	5	—	1	2	—	—	12
(M.S.)								
4-4-2000	4	1	2	2	1	—	—	10
(A.S.)								
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\* These Questions include 13 Questions included in the list of Postponed Questions.

23. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN ANSWERED UNDER RULE 38, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE.

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD (M)	BSP	IND	TOTAL
9-3-2000	3	2	1	2	—	—	2	10
10-3-2000	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
13-3-2000	3	1	—	3	—	—	—	7
14-3-2000	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	6
15-3-2000	2	—	2	2	1	—	1	8
16-3-2000	6	1	1	1	—	—	1	10
22-3-2000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27-3-2000	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	6
28-3-2000	1	2	1	4	—	—	2	10
29-3-2000	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
30-3-2000 (M.S.)	5	2	4	2	—	—	—	13
30-3-2000 (A.S.)	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	4
3-4-2000	2	—	2	1	—	—	—	5
4-4-2000 (M.S.)	3	—	3	2	—	—	—	8
4-4-2000 (A.S.)	1	1	—	1	1	—	—	4
Total								96

24. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS IN THE NAME OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS. DATE-WISE

Date	Chief Minister	Local Govt. & Labour & Employment Minister	Cooperation Minister	Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister	Agriculture Minister	Food & Supplies Minister	Finance & Planning Minister	Technical Education and Industrial Training Minister	Rural Development & Panchayats Minister	Tourism and Cultural Affairs Minister	Social Security & Development of Women and Children Minister	Health & Family Welfare Minister	Forests Minister	Public Health Minister	Transport Minister	Animal Husbandry & Dairy & Fisheries Minister	Welfare of Scheduled Castes & Backward Classes Minister	Higher Secondary & Primary Education Minister	Defence Services Welfare Minister	Housing and Urban Development Minister	Medical Education Minister	P.W.D. (B&R) Minister	Irrigation Minister	Power Minister	Science & Technology Minister	Higher Education Minister	Sports Minister	Excise & Taxation Minister
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
9-3-2000	5	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	3	—	2	1	1	2	1	—	—	—	—
10-3-2000	—	1	—	1	2	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	2	1	2	1	1	1	—	1
13-3-2000	2	4	—	1	1	—	1	—	1	—	2	1	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—
14-3-2000	4	1	—	1	1	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2	—	2	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—
15-3-2000	2	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	2	—	—	1	3	4	—	—	—	—	—
16-3-2000	3	1	—	1	4	1	—	—	1	—	—	2	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	1	—	—
22-3-2000	3	4	—	—	3	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	3	1	—	—	—	—	—
27-3-2000	2	4	—	2	1	1	2	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	2	—	—	—	—
28-3-2000	4	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	3	—	—	2	1	1
29-3-2000	2	2	—	—	3	—	1	—	2	—	—	2	—	3	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
30-3-2000 (M.S.)	2	—	—	—	4	—	—	1	3	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	3	2	—	—	—	—	—
30-3-2000 (A.S.)	2	2	—	1	—	—	1	—	3	—	1	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	2	—
3-4-2000	5	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	4	2	—	1	—	—	—
4-4-2000 (M.S.)	9	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
4-4-2000 (A.S.)	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	2	—	—	1	1	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—

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25. STATEMENT REGARDING STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED FROM SOME OF THE QUESTIONS  
(at Sr. No. 24) WHICH WERE INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF POSTPONED STARRED QUESTIONS.

Date	Chief Minister	Revenue & Rehabilitation Minister	Animal Husbandry, Fisheries & Dairy Minister	Local Govt. Minister	Agriculture Minister	Welfare of Scheduled Castes & Backward Classes Minister	Science & Technology, Legal and Legislative Affairs & Justice Minister	Excise & Taxation Minister	Sports Minister	Rural Development & Panchayats Minister	P.W.D. (B&R) Minister
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
28-3-2000	3	1	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
4-4-2000 (M.S.)	2	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	1	1	—
4-4-2000 (A.S.)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1

26. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED, DATE-WISE  
AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD (M)	BSP	IND	TOTAL
10-3-2000	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
13-3-2000	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
14-3-2000	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
16-3-2000	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	3
22-3-2000	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	5
28-3-2000	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	4





# 27. WALK-OUTS

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Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) walking out	Occasion
1	2	3	4
1.	9th March, 2000	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar. Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)	As a protest on not being allowed by the Speaker to raise an issue shortly before the Question Hour.
2.	9th March, 2000	All the Members of the Indian National Congress Communist Party of India, present in the House, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (BSP) and the Members of the Shiromani Akali Dal—Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli, Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Bibi Daljit Kaur and Sardar Ravi Inder Singh.	As a protest against not being allowed by the Chair to raise the Adjournment Motion presented by Sardar Ravi Inder Singh.

As a protest against Non-Official Resolution not having been allowed to be passed.

As a protest against not having been allowed time to speak on the Non-Official Resolution for affecting roll back in the price rise of Urea, an essential input for the farmer community.

As a protest against the issue of corruption charges levelled against a Minister.

As a protest against not being allowed time for holding discussion on the issue of setting up of the proposed city of Anandgarh and due to lack of any response from the Govt.

All the Members of the Indian National Congress Party and Communist Party of India, present in the House and Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (BSP).

All the Members of the Indian National Congress, present in the House, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (BSP) and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann). Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (CPI) though did not move from his seat, yet he stated himself to be associated in this walk-out.

All the Members of the Indian National Congress and Communist Party of India, present in the House.

Members of the Shiromani Akali Dal—Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu, Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira and Smt. Daljit Kaur.

3. 9th March, 2000

4. 10th March, 2000

5. 14th March, 2000

6. 14th March, 2000

1	2	3	4
7.	14th March, 2000	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (BSP)	As a protest against non withdrawal of the notification issued by the Government regarding judgement issued by the Supreme Court in respect of Scheduled Castes.
8.	15th March, 2000	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (BJP)	As a protest against one of her listed questions having been disallowed.
9.	15th March, 2000	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (BSP)	As a protest against non-withdrawal of the notification regarding reservation for Scheduled Castes.
10.	16th March, 2000	All the Members of the Indian National Congress Party and Communist Party of India, present in the House and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann).	As a protest against not receiving any response from the Government on the issues raised regarding the demands of farmers.
11.	16th March, 2000	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (BSP)	As a protest against the notification issued by the Government regarding reservation policy.

12. 16th March, 2000

Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (BJP).

As a protest against not being allowed enough time to speak on the reply to her Call Attention Notice.

13. 16th March, 2000

All the Members of the Indian National Congress and Communist Party of India, present in the House, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, (BSP) and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann).

As a protest against some objectionable words used by the Education Minister during his speech on Non-official Resolution.

14. 27th March, 2000

All the Members of the Indian National Congress present in the House, Member of the Communist Party of India and Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (BSP).

As a protest against not receiving any response from the Government on the issue raised regarding the judgement in respect of Scheduled Castes.

15. 28th March, 2000

Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (BJP).

As a protest against not being permitted enough time during the Question Hour.

16. 28th March, 2000

All the Members of the Indian National Congress present in the House, Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, (INC) though did not move from her seat yet she stated herself to be associated in the walk-out.

On an issue sought to be raised by the Indian National Congress regarding holding of a rally by the employees and upon not receiving any statement from the Government.

17. 29th March, 2000

All the Members of the Indian National Congress and Communist Party of India, present in the House.

As a protest against not being permitted to speak on an issue raised by a Member of the Shiromani Akali Dal during 'Zero Hour'

18. 30th March, 2000  
(M.S.)

Members of the Shiromani Akali Dal-Sardar Hira Singh Gabbra, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal, Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra and Smt. Daljit Kaur and one Member of Shiromani Akal Dal (Mann), Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar.

As a protest against not having been allowed enough time to speak on the matter of Ex-Jathedar Sahib of Sri Akal Takht Sahib, raised during the 'Zero Hour'.

19. 30th March, 2000  
(A. S.)

Member of the Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann), Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, Member of CPI, Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, Member of BSP, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra and Member of Indian National Congress, Sadar Kanwaljit Singh Lali.

As a protest against the Non-Official Resolution having been allowed to be talked out.

20. 3rd April, 2000

Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (BSP).

As a protest against not receiving any response from the Government on the issue raised during 'Zero Hour' regarding the non-acceptance of the recommendations made by the D. P. C. of the Education Department.

21. 3rd April, 2000

All the Members of the Indian National Congress and Communist Party of India, present in the House, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, (BSP) and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann).

As a protest against the Resolution disapproving the Ordinance in respect of Punjab Panchayati Raj Act having been lost and the Bill replacing the same having been passed.

# 28. DHARNAS

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Sr. No.	Date	Member (s) sitting in Dharna	Occasion
1	2	3	4
1.	9th March, 2000	Members of the Indian National Congress and Communist Party of India, present in the House, Shri Shingara Ram Sahngra (BSP), Members of the Shiromani Akali Dal-Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli, Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra and Smt. Daljit Kaur.	As a protest against not being allowed to present an Adjournment Motion presented by Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, MLA.



2.	14th March, 2000	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (BSP).	As a protest against non- withdrawal of the notifica- tion issued by the Govern- ment regarding judgement passed by the Supreme Court in respect of Schedu- led Castes.
3.	15th March, 2000	Members of the Indian National Congress, present in the House.	As a protest against the notification issued by the Government under Section 4 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 for the setting up of the proposed city of Anandgarh.
4.	4th April, 2000 (M. S.)	Members of the Shiromani Akali Dal-Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi, Sardar Sohan Singh Bodal and Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa and lone Member of the 'Bahujan Samaj Party, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra.	As a protest against inclu- sion of the Raj Sikhs and Rajputs in the list of the Scheduled Castes.

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4th April, 2000  
(M. S.)

Members of the Shiromani  
Akali Dal-Sardar Mahesh  
Inder Singh Grewal, Sardar  
Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi,  
Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla,  
Sardar Bikramjit Singh-  
Khalsa, Sardar Inderjit  
Singh Zira, Sardar Harmail  
Tohra, Sardar Sarjit Singh  
Kohli, Sardar Manjit Singh  
Calcutta, Sardar Prem  
Singh Lalpura and Smt.  
Daljit Kaur.

As a protest against no  
statement having been made  
by the Government  
regarding the commitment  
made by the Three Members  
Committee constituted in  
connection with the issue of  
Udham Singh Nagar.

## 29. Unparliamentary/Undesirable Expressions

Sr. No.	Expression	Occasion	Date
1	2	3	4
1.	ਕੁਰੱਪਟ	(When used with reference to an Hon. Minister)	10th March, 2000
2.	ਨਾ ਹੀ ਮੰਤਰੀ ਮਰਿਆ	(when used with reference to Governor's Address)	13th March, 2000
3.	ਮਿਸਲੀਡ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ	(When used with reference to the concerned Minister during Question Hour)	15th March, 2000
4.	ਸੱਤਾ ਦੇ ਭੁੱਖੇ	(When used with reference to the Govt.)	28th March, 2000
5.	ਝੂਠ	(When used with reference to the Govt.)	28th March, 2000
6.	ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੇ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਵੀ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਵਿਚ ਅੱਗ ਲਾਈ ਸੀ ਅੱਧਰ ਉਹ ਮਸਾਂ ਬੁਝੀ ਹੈ	(When used with reference to the Congress Party)	29th March, 2000
7.	ਰੱਜ ਝੂਠ ਬੋਲੀ ਜਾਂਦੇ ਹਨ	(When used with reference to the Govt.)	29th March, 2000
8.	ਦੀਵਾਲਾ ਨਿਕਲ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ	(When used with reference to the Govt.)	29th March, 2000
9.	ਪੱਕੇਸ਼ਾਹੀ	(When used with reference to non-reply by the Govt.)	3rd April, 2000

1	2	3	4
10.	ਕਾਲੇ ਕਾਨੂੰਨ ਲਿਆ-ਕੇ ਡੈਮੋ-ਕਰੇਸੀ ਦਾ ਗਲਾ ਘੁੱਟਣ ਵਾਲੀ ਗੱਲ ਹੈ	(When used with reference to amendment in the Bill)	3rd April, 2000
11.	ਸਾਰੇ ਹਾਊਸ ਦੇ ਰੂਲਜ਼ ਦੀਆਂ ਸੱਜੀਆਂ ਉੱਡਾਂ ਕੇ ਅਤੇ ਐਂਸਿਓ-ਰੈਂਸ: ਦੇ ਕੇ ਗੌਰਮਿੰਟ ਦਾ ਪੱਖ ਪੂਰਿਆ ਹੈ	(When used with reference to the Hon'ble Speaker)	4th April, 2000 (M. S.)
12.	ਸਪੀਕਰ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਤੁਸੀਂ ਆਪਣੀਆਂ ਪਾਵਰਾਂ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਨੂੰ ਐਂਬਰੋਗੇਟ ਕਰ ਦਿਤੀਆਂ ਹਨ	(When used with reference to the Hon'ble Speaker)	4th April, 2000 (A.S.)
13.	ਇਸ ਸਟੇਟ ਨੂੰ ਬੜੀ ਬੇਰਹਿਮੀ ਨਾਲ ਵਲੰਧਰਿਆ ।	(When used with reference to the Congress Party)	4th April, 2000 (A.S.)
14.	ਸਰਕਾਰ ਬਹੁਤ ਵੱਡਾ ਘਪਲਾ ਕਰਨਾ ਚਾਹੁੰਦੀ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to the Govt.)	4th April, 2000 (A.S.)
15.	ਡੈਮੋਕਰੇਸੀ ਦਾ ਕਤਲ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹੋ	(When used with reference to the Govt.)	4th April, 2000 (A.S.)
16.	ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਵੀ ਲੋਕਾਂ ਨੇ ਨਿਹੰਗਾਂ ਦੇ ਬਾਟੇ ਵਾਂਗ ਮਾਂਜ ਦੇਣਾ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to the Govt.)	4th April, 2000 (A.S.)
17.	ਸੁਸਰੀ ਵਾਂਗ ਕਿਉਂ ਸੌਂ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ?	(When used with reference to the Govt.)	4th April, 2000 (A.S.)
18.	ਤੁਹਾਡੀਆਂ ਘੀਸੀਆਂ ਵੀ ਕਰਵਾ ਦੇਣਗੇ	(When used with reference to the Govt.)	4th April, 2000 (A.S.)
19.	ਪੰਜਾਬ ਨੂੰ ਛੋਟਾ ਭੁਹਾਡੀ ਸੌੜੀ ਤੇ ਬੇਈਮਾਨ ਪੁਲੀਟੀਕਲ ਸੋਚ ਨੇ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to the Congress Party)	4th April, 2000 (A.S.)
20.	ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦੇ ਲੋਕਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਧੋਖਾ ਕਰ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ ।	(When used with reference to the Govt.)	4th April, 2000 (A.S.)

### 30. Observations made by the Speaker

1. Observation made by the Chair on 30th March, 2000 (A.S.):  
regarding not to talk during the deliberations in the House as  
it affects correct reporting of the proceedings of the House.

I would like to request the Hon'ble Members that as and when  
they start talking to each other during the deliberations in the  
House even the Reporters are at a loss to make a correct recor-  
ding of the proceedings. As such talking in the House should be  
avoided otherwise neither I nor the Reporters can follow.

2. Observation made by the Chair on 3rd April, 2000 regar-  
ding reply to be given by a Minister other than the concerned  
Minister.

In this case, I am calling upon Shri Sucha Singh Langah, the  
Minister for P. W. D. (B. & R.) for making a reply but the reply  
is being given by Sardar Ajaib Singh Mukhmailpura.

I would like to request all the Ministers, that they should give  
me in writing in advance if the reply on behalf of any Minister is  
to be given by any other Minister so that I could also know who  
has to be called upon for the reply of a specific question.

3. Observation made by the Chair on 14th March, 2000  
regarding :—

- (i) Submission of replies to Vidhan Sabha Questions in time.
- (ii) Not to bring Cellular Phones/Pagers etc. in the House.

The Hon'ble Speaker announced in the House that even after  
the observation made by him, replies to many questions in respect  
of which extension is sought, are not received even after the lapse  
of many months or years, due to which the Members who have  
asked the Questions, are deprived of their right, and due to this,  
the importance of raising the Questions gets depleted. Further  
more, this also lowers the dignity of the House.

He also asked the Ministers to direct the concerned  
officers of their departments to ensure that replies to the Questions

for which extension has been sought, are sent to the Sabha Secretariat within the stipulated period of such extension. Further, replies to the Questions, extensions for which were granted during the previous Sessions, may also be sent within 15 days positively.

He also regretted that some Members bring Mobile Phones/Pagers inside the House even after the issuance of written directions, which is against the dignity of the House. He requested all the Members that in future cellular phones/pagers etc. may not be brought in the august House.

## APPENDIX--I

### 31. BULLETINS

(Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha held during its Budget (Ninth) Session 2000).

**BULLETIN NO. 1**  
*Tuesday the 7th March, 2000*  
 (From 9.00 A.M. to 10.25 A.M.)

#### **I. Oath by a Member :**

Sardar Jatinder Singh Kariha (Shiromani Akali Dal), declared elected in the By-Election from 38-Nawanshahar Assembly Constituency, took oath as a Member of the Vidhan Sabha, in Punjab.

#### **II. Obituary References :**

The Hon. Chief Minister made reference to the deaths of—

1. Doctor Shankar Dayal Sharma, Former President of India.
2. Shri Krishan Lal Sharma, Ex-M.P.
3. Kanwar Manjitinder Singh, Ex-M.P.
4. Sardar Parshotam Singh, Ex-M.L.A.
5. Sardar Mohinder Singh Brar, Ex-M.L.A.
6. Col. Partap Singh Gill, Former Lt. Governor of Goa.
7. Shri B. Rachaiya, Former Governor of Himachal Pradesh and Kerala States
8. Sardar Hazara Singh Hamdam, Freedom Fighter
9. Sardar Pritam Singh, Freedom Fighter
10. Shrimati Durga Devi, Freedom Fighter
11. Giani Charan Singh, Freedom Fighter
12. Victims of Cyclone in the States of Orissa and Andhra Pradesh
13. Victims of the Bomb Blast in a Bus near Sirhind; and
14. \*Shrimati Geeta Mukherji, Ex-M.P.

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\*On a reference being made by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, the Hon. Speaker ordered to include her name also in the Obituary References.

While paying tributes to the great personalities for the contributions made by them in their respective fields of activities, he expressed deep grief and sorrow on their passing away.

He also made a suggestion that a condolence resolution may be passed by the House at the demise of the said personalities and that copies thereof may be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased.

While doing so, he spoke for 15 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Hon. Members paid tributes to the departed souls and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Shri Balramji Dass Tandon (Local Government & Labour and Employment Minister)	08 Minutes
2.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	13 Minutes
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	14 Minutes
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	06 Minutes
5.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal) (Mann)	08 Minutes
6.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	10 Minutes

The Hon. Speaker, while associating himself with the views expressed by the Members in the House, paid his tributes to the departed souls, and announced that as per the desire of the House, copies of the Condolence Message will be sent to the bereaved families.

Thereafter, the Hon. Members, present in the House, stood in silence as a mark of respect to the departed souls.

The House then, adjourned till 2.00 P. M. on Thursday, the 9th March, 2000.



## BULLETIN NO. 2

*Thursday, the 9th March, 2000*

(From 2.00 P. M. to 6.30 P. M.)

**1. Questions****(a) Starred**

Total number of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplemen- taries
20	9	1	—	29

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

**(b) Unstarred : 20****2. Announcement by the Speaker**

(a) In pursuance of Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly, the Speaker informed that the Governor had been pleased to deliver an address to the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on 6th March, 2000 at 2.30 P.M. under Article 176(1) of the Constitution of India.

He also laid a copy of the Address on the Table of the House.

**(b) Panel of Chairmen**

The Speaker nominated the following members to serve on the Panel of Chairmen under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Legislative Assembly :

1. Sh. Arunesh Kumar.
2. Prof. Jagir Singh.
3. S. Gurdeep Singh Bhullar.
4. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar.

### 3. Announcement by the Secretary

The Secretary made the following announcements—

"I lay on the Table a statement showing the Bills which were passed by the 11th Punjab Vidhan Sabha during its eighth Session and which have been assented to by the Governor."

### 4. Calling Attention Notices

(i) Calling Attention Notice (No. 2) given by Shri Satya Pal Saini, M.L.A. regarding slow pace of progress of construction work of Shahpur Kandi Dam resulting in wastage of water to be released from Ranjit Sagar Dam was admitted.

The Irrigation Minister made a statement.

(i) Calling Attention Notice (No. 3&7) given by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. and Com. Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. regarding halting of teaching work in Medical Colleges in the State due to strike by the teaching staff as they have not been paid arrears of Pay Commission's Report, 1996 was admitted.

The Medical Education Minister made a statement.

(iii) Calling Attention Notice (No. 4) given by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. regarding non-existence of any arrangement for the treatment of Orthopaedic diseases in Guru Nanak Dev Hospital affiliated with the Medical College, Amritsar, was admitted.

The Medical Education Minister made a statement.

### 5. First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

The Speaker presented the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee to the House on the programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from 9th March, 2000 to 30th March, 2000.

The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved the following motion :—

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

# 6. Papers laid on the Table.

The Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table :

1.
  - (i) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 1999.  
(Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 1999)
  - (ii) The Punjab Tax on Entry of Goods Into Local Areas Ordinance, 1999.  
(Punjab Ordinance No. 9 of 1999)
  - (iii) The Punjab Entertainments Duty (Second Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 1999;  
(Punjab Ordinance No. 10 of 1999)
  - (iv) The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999.  
(Punjab Ordinance No. 11 of 1999)
  - (v) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 2000.  
(Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 2000)
  - (vi) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 2000.  
(Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 2000); and
  - (vii) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Third Amendment and Validation) Ordinance, 2000.  
(Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 2000),  
as required under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution of India.
2. The Constitution (Eighty-fourth Amendment) Bill, 1999, as passed by the Houses of Parliament.
3. The Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation (General) (First Amendment) Rules, 1999 as required under Section 32 (3) of the Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation Act, 1978.

4. The Punjab Municipal Election Rules, 1994 along with its First Amendment, as required under Section 139 (3) of the Punjab State Election Commission Act, 1994.
5. The Audit Observations on the utilization of grants received by the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana during the period from 1st April, 1993 to 31st March, 1994, alongwith Governments Comments as required under Section 34(5) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
6. The grant utilization certificate and Audit Observations on the utilization of grants received by the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana during the period from 1st April, 1994 to 31st March, 1995 alongwith Governments comments as required under Section 34(5) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
7. The Audit Reports on accounts of Punjab Financial Corporation for the years ending 31st March, 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997 submitted by the Accountant General (Audit) Punjab.
8. The Annual Reports and Balance Sheets of the Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation for the years 1995-96, 1996-97 and 1997-98, as required under section 23(6) of the Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation Act, 1978.
9. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Dairy Development Corporation Ltd. for the year ending 31st March, 1994, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
10. The 25th Annual Report of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 619—A of the Companies Act, 1956.

11. The Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Reports of the Punjab State Leather Development Corporation Ltd. for the years 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95.
12. The Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Administration Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1998-99.
13. The 20th Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96 as required under Section 619—A of the Companies Act, 1956,
14. The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab Urban Planning and Development Authority for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 53(1) of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Act, 1995 read with Rule 19.
15. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Police Housing Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97, as required under Section 619—A of the Companies Act, 1956.
16. The 15th Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1993-94, along with Statement showing the reasons for the delay in laying the Reports of the said Corporation for the year 1994-95, as required under Section 619—A of the Companies Act, 1956.
17. The 18th Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. for the year 1991-92, as required under Section 619—A of the Companies Act 1956.

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18. The Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1997-98, alongwith Review, as required under Section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
19. The Administration Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1997-98, alongwith review, as required under Section 35(3) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
20. The Audit Report on Accounts of Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ending 31st March, 1998.
21. The Annual Administrative Report of Local Fund Audit Organisation, Punjab for the year 1997-98.
22. The Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana for the year 1996-97, alongwith Government's comments required under Section 39(3) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
23. The 14th Annual Report of the Punjab Khadi and Village Industries Board for the year 1996-97.
24. The statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1998-99.

#### 7. Resolution

Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, M. L. A. moved the following Resolution :—

“This House strongly recommends to the State Government to enact legislation for taking effective steps to control population in the State of Punjab.”

He spoke for 29 minutes while moving the Resolution.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each —

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Sh. Harbans Lal (Indian National Congress)	21 minutes
2.	Sardar Makhon Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	45 minutes
3.	Sardar Ajaib Singh Raunta (Communist Party of India)	10 minutes
4.	Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister (Jathedar Tota Singh)	20 minutes
5.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (B. S. P.)	08 minutes
6.	Sh. Ram Lal (B. J. P.)	11 minutes
7.	Sh. Satya Pal Saini (B. J. P.)	02 minutes

#### 8. Dharna

On not being allowed to present an Adjournment Motion presented by Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, M.L.A., all the Members of the Congress Party and Communist Party of India, present in the House, one Member of the B.S.P. and the Member of the Shiromani Akali Dal, Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli, Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra and Bibi Daljit Kaur resorted to a Dharna in the Well of the House.

#### 9. Walk Out

Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Akali Dal) (Mann) sought to raise an issue shortly before the Question Hour at the beginning of the Session but on not being allowed by the Speaker to raise the same the Member staged a walk-out as a protest from the House.

On not being allowed by the Chair to raise the Adjournment Motion presented by Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, M. L. A. all the Members of the Congress Party and the Communist Party present in the House, the Member of the Bahajan Samaj Party, Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra and the Members of the Shiromani Akali Dal, Sardar Manjit Singh Caetta, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Hira Singh Gubria, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli, Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra and Bibi Daljit Kaur staged a walk out from the House. Sardar Ravi Inder Singh also joined them.

All the Members of the Congress Party and the Communist Party, present in the House and the Member of B.S.P., Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra staged a walk out from the House as a protest on the Non-Official Resolution not having been allowed to be passed.

#### 10. Points of Order

Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members were declared as 'No Points of Order.'

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Number of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order'
1	2	3
1.	Sh. Tikshan Sood (Minister for Excise and Taxation)	1
2.	Sardar Makhan Singh ..	1
3.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar ..	2
4.	Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira ..	1
5.	Shri Harbans Lal ..	2
6.	Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra ..	1

Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar, a Member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.02 P.M. to 5.24 P.M.

Thereafter, the House adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Friday, the 10th March, 2000.



## BULLETIN NO. 3

*Friday the 10th March, 2000*

(From 10.00 A.M. to 2.30 P.M.)

**1. Questions****(a) Starred**

Total number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplement- aries
20	17	1	1	44

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha. It was also decided that Supplementaries to the Starred Question No. 1829 will be resumed on the 13th March, 2000.

**(b) Unstarred: 12****2. Calling Attention Notices**

(i) Calling Attention Notice (No. 6) given by Com. Hardev Singh Arshi regarding danger caused by 133 K.V. main line of Guru Nanak Dev Thermal Plant passing over Ganesha Basti, Aggarwal Colony, Chandsar Basti, Suraj Basti, Ajit Road in Bathinda; resulting in many mishappenings in the areas was admitted.

The Minister for Power made a statement.

(ii) Calling Attention Notice (No. 8) given by Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta and Com. Hardev Singh Arshi regarding deaths of many sheep after drinking effluent discharged from the factory located at Gallumajra Village on Ambala-Chandigarh Road was admitted.

The Chief Minister made a statement.

(iii) Calling Attention Notice (No. 9) given by Com. Ajaib Singh Raunta and Com. Hardev Singh Arshi, regarding disconnection of power supply to the Water Works in Villages of Districts Bhatinda, Mansa, Faridkot, Sangrur, Ferozepur and Moga on account of non-payment of power bills was admitted.

The Minister for Power made a statement.

### 3. Discussion on Governor's Address

(i) Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA moved that an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :—

“That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 6th March, 2000.”

and while doing so, he spoke for 41 minutes.

(ii) Sh. Arunesh Kumar, MLA, seconded the above Motion and spoke for 15 minutes. There after, the following Members participated in the discussion on the Governor's Address and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Sh. Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress).	.. 25 Minutes
2.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (B.J.P.)	.. 22 Minutes
3.	Sardar Balwant Singh (S.A.D.)	.. 16 Minutes
4.	Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh (S.A.D.)	.. 25 Minutes
5.	Smt. Roop Rani (B.J.P.)	.. 7 Minutes
6.	Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra (S.A.D.)	.. 16 Minutes

### 4. Walk out

All the Members of the Congress Party, the Member of Bahujan Samaj party, Sh. Shingara Ram Sahengra and the Member of Shiremani Akali Dal (Mann), Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, present in the House, staged a walk out from the House as a protest against not having been allowed time to speak for affecting roll back in the price-rise of urea; an essential input for the farmer community. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, Leader of the Communist Party of India stated that his Party may also be considered a part of this walk out.

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**5. Statement by the Chief Minister in reply to issue raised during the zero Hour by the Members**

In reply to the issue regarding roll back of the price rise of Urea, an essential input for the farmers, the Chief Minister made a statement in the House regarding the discussions with the Central Government on this issue.

**6. Points of Order**

Five Points of Order sought to be raised by Sardar Avtar Singh Brar were declared as "No Points of Order."

Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar, a Member of Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 11.44 A.M. to 2.21 P.M.

There after, the House adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Monday, the 13th March, 2000.

**BULLETIN NO. 4**

*Monday, the 13th March, 2000*

(From 2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)

**1. Questions**

At the outset, as per decision taken on the 10th March, 2000 Starred Question No. 1829 was taken up but no Supplementary was put as the Member concerned was not present in the House.

Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions, as per the List of Business, was taken up.

**(a) Starred**

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
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20	11	1	1	32
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Supplementaries to Starred Question No. 1824 were postponed to be asked in the sitting to be held on the 14th March, 2000.

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

(b) Unstarred-10

## 2. Call Attention Notices

(a) Call Attention Notice (No. 11) given by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta regarding discontentment amongst the farmers due to low price of potatoes in the State was admitted.

The Agriculture Minister made a statement.

(b) Call Attention Notice (Nos. 13) given by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding frequent power failures in Amritsar City resulting in disruption in water supply in the City for hours together was admitted.

The Power Minister made a statement.

(c) Call Attention Notice (No. 14 and 17) given by Sh. Satya Pal Saini, Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira and Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra regarding discontentment amongst the farmers community in the State due to increase in the price of Urea was admitted.

The Agriculture Minister made a statement.

## 3. Papers laid on the Table

The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table the Annual Statements of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 2000-2001, as required under Section 61 of the Power (Supply) Act, 1948.

## 4. Resumption of Discussion on the Governor's Address

Discussion on the following Motion moved by Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, M. L. A. and seconded by Sh. Arunesh Kumar, MLA on the 10th March, 2000

‘That an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :—

“That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 6th March, 2000,” was resumed.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra (Shiromani Akali Dal)	.. 5 Minutes
2.	Choudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	.. 68 Minutes
3.	Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal (Shiromani Akali Dal)	.. 22 Minutes
4.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party)	.. 15 Minutes
5.	Sardar Jatinder Singh Kariha (Shiromani Akali Dal)	.. 15 Minutes
6.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal) (Mann)	.. 17 Minutes

### 5. Points of Order

Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members were declared as 'No Points of Order.'

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Number of Points of Order declared as "No Points of Order."
1	2	3
1.	Chaudhary Swarna Ram (Tourism Minister)	.. 2
2.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney	.. 1
3.	Shri Awar Henry	.. 2
4.	Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal (Agriculture Minister)	.. 1

Prof. Jagir Singh, a Member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.15 PM to 4.57 PM.

Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, a Member of Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 5.51 P.M. to 6.26 PM.

Thereafter, the House adjourned till 10.00 A. M. on Tuesday the 14th March, 2000.

### BULLETIN NO. 5

*Tuesday, the 14 March, 2000*

(From 10.00 AM to 3.11 PM)

#### 1. Questions

(a) At the outset, as per decision taken on the 13th March, 2000, three supplementaries were put on the Starred Question No. 1824. Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions, as per the List of Business, was taken up.

#### (b) Starred

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	9	3	2	42

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

#### (b) Unstarred-5

#### 2. Announcement by the Speaker

The Hon'ble Speaker announced in the House that even after the observation made by him, replies to many Questions in respect of which extension is sought, are not received even after elapse of many months or years, due to which the Members, who have asked the Questions, are deprived of their right, and due to this, the importance of raising the Questions gets depleted. Further more, this also lowers the dignity of the House,

He also asked the Hon'ble Ministers to direct the concerned Officers of their Departments to ensure that replies to the Questions for which extension has been sought, are sent to the Sabha Secretariat within the stipulated period of such extension. Further, replies to the Questions, extensions for which were granted during the previous Sessions, may also be sent within 15 days positively.

He also regretted that some Members bring Mobile Phones. Pagers inside the House even after the issuance of written directions, which is against the dignity of the House. He requested all the Members that in future Cellular Phones/Pagers etc. may not be brought in the august House.

### 3. Call Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 16) given by Prof. Jagir Singh, Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh and Sardar Gurdeep Singh Bhullar regarding difficulties being faced by the students due to power cuts in the morning and evening in rural areas in the State, was admitted.

The Power Minister made a statement.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 19) given by Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta and Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi regarding non-acceptance of Scheduled Castes Certificates issued more than three years back for getting admission in the Elementary Teachers Training of Education Department, was admitted.

The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister made a statement.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 21 and 22) given by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding non-disbursal of the amount of Grants to the Privately managed Government-aided Colleges by the Government in the State resulting in non-payment of salaries to College Teachers for the last some months, was admitted.

The Higher Education Minister made a statement.

#### 4. Papers laid on the Table

The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table the Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1999), as required under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India.

#### 5. Presentation of Reports

The Chairman of the Committee on Public Undertakings, Sh. Jagdish Sawhney, Presented the 62nd and 63rd Reports of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1999-2000 on the audit paras appearing in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1985-86 and 1991-92 and 1988-89 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Electricity Board and Punjab State Seeds Corporation Limited.

#### 6. Financial Business

##### Supplementary Demands

The Finance Minister presented to the House Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Govt. of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (Second Instalment).

##### Report of the Estimates Committee on Supplementary Demands.

The Chairman, Committee on Estimates, Sh. Satya Pal Saini, presented the Report of the Estimates Committee on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 1999-2000 (Second Instalment).

#### 7. Resumption of Discussion on Governor's Address

Discussion on the following Motion moved by Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA and seconded by Sh. Arunesh Kumar, MLA on the 10th March, 2000.

"That an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms : —

"That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 6th March, 2000," was resumed.



Thereafter, the following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal) (Mann)	2 Minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India).	28 Minutes
3.	Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta (Shiromani Akali Dal)	16 Minutes
4.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	15 Minutes
5.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahagra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	14 Minutes
6.	Rural Development and Panchayats Minister (Sardar Sajan Singh)	19 Minutes

The Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for one hour and 30 minutes.

The following Motion—

“That an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms:

“That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 6th March, 2000.”

was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 8. Walk outs

1. All the Members of the Congress Party and CPI, present in the House, staged a walk out from the House as a protest regarding issue of corruption charges levelled against a Minister.

2. On not being allowed time for holding discussion on the issue of settling up of the proposed city of Anandgarh and

due to lack of any response from the Government, the Members of Shiromani Akali Dal, Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu, Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal, Sardar Harmall Singh Tohra, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira and Smt. Daljit Kaur, staged a walk-out from the House.

3. The Member of Bahujan Samaj Party, Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra, staged a walk-out from the House as a protest against non-withdrawal of the notification issued by the Government regarding the judgement issued by the Supreme Court in respect of Scheduled Castes.

#### 9. Dharna

The Member of Bahujan Samaj Party, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, staged a Dharna in the House as a protest against non-withdrawal of the notification issued by the Government regarding judgement issued by the Supreme Court in respect of Scheduled Castes.

#### 10. Points of Order

Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members were declared as No Points of Order :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Number of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order'
1.	Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira	4
2.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	9
3.	Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu	1
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra	1
5.	Power Minister (Sardar Sikander Singh Maluka)	1
6.	Higher Education Minister (Master Mohan Lal)	1

1	2	3	4
7.	Hon'ble Social Security, Women and Children Development Minister (Sardar Gobind Singh Kanjla)	..	1
8.	Hon'ble Excise and Taxation Minister (Sh. Tikshen Sood)	..	1
9.	Shri Harminder Singh Jasst	..	1
10.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh	..	2
11.	Shri Avtar Henry	..	1

#### II. Extension of Time

The Time of the Sitting, with the consent of the House, was extended till the reply of the Chief Minister on the discussion on the Governor's Address, was over.

A Member of the Panel of Chairmen, Prof. Jagir Singh, occupied the Chair from 12.16 P.M. to 12.24 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 15th March, 2000.

#### Special Bulletin No. 1

##### General Discussion on Governor's Address

Discussion on the Motion of Thanks to the Governor's Address took place on three days i.e. 10th March, 13th March, and 14 March, 2000 lasting for 7 hours and 33 minutes.

Details of the time taken by the various Parties/Groups are as under :—

Sr. No.	Party/Group	No. of Members who took part in the Discussion	Time Taken	
			Hours	Minutes
1.	*Treasury Benches	9	5	24
2.	Indian National Congress ..	2	1	33
3.	Communist Party of India ..	1	0	28
4.	Bahujan Samaj Party ..	1	0	14
5.	Shiromani Akali Dal(Mann) ..	1	0	19
6.	Independent ..	1	0	15

Note :—1. Time taken by the Treasury Benches also includes the time taken by the Chief Minister, who spoke for one hour and 30 minutes.

\*2. The Treasury Benches include the Members of Shiromani Akali Dal and Bharatiya Janata Party.

### Bulletin No. 6

Wednesday, the 15th March, 2000

(From 10.00 A. M. to 1.01 P.M.)

#### 1. Questions

(a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
19	10	1	—	38

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 and it was also decided that the Supplementaries to the Starred Question No. 1830 will be resumed on the 16th March, 2000.

(b) Unstarred-6

## 2. Call Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 3) given by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding submergence of a large number of houses in sullage water do to damage caused to the Bashirpur Sewerage Disposal Plant (constructed for disposing sewerage water from Jalandhar City), was admitted.

The Minister for Local Government, Labour and Employment made a statement.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 24 and 26) given by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta regarding non-payment of salaries to the employees of Punjab Wireless Systems Ltd. Mohali (PUNWIRE) since July, 1999, was admitted.

The Chief Minister made a statement.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 12) given by Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar regarding issuances of notices by Archaeological Deptt., Government of India for the vacation of building at Noormahal where the Senior Secondary School is running, was admitted.

The Education Minister made a statement.

## 3. Presentation of Reports

1. The Chairman, Committee on Public Accounts, Shri Harmander Singh Jassi, presented the :—

(i) 122nd Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1990-91 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1990-91 (Civil) relating to Science, Technology and Environment and Industries Deptt.

(ii) 123rd Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1987-88 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1987-88 (RR) relating to Transport, Revenue and Irrigation Department.

- (iii) 124th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1992-93 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1992-93 (RR) relating to Excise and Taxation Department.
  - (iv) 125th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1987-88 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1987-88 (RR) relating to Excise and Taxation Department.
2. **Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes**

The Chairman, Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes, Sardar Sital Singh, presented the 24th Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes in respect of reservation in services and posts in respect of the Prosecution and Litigation and Cooperation Departments.

#### 4. **Financial Business**

- (i) Discussion on the Estimates of the Expenditure charged on the Revenue of the State.
- (ii) Voting of the Demands for Supplementary Grants.

The Honourable Speaker informed the House that there were 21 Supplementary Demands for Grants for discussion and voting. The Hon. Speaker sought leave of the House in respect of all the Demands on the Order Paper i.e. (Demands No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, and 30) for being read and moved together, to which the House granted its leave.

All the Demands were deemed to have been read and moved together. He requested that the Members who wanted to take part in the discussion may mention the number of the particular Demand on which they wanted to speak.

The following Hon. Members, while taking part in the discussion on all the demands (21 supplementary Demands), spoke

for the time given against each:—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	17 Minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	25 Minutes

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning, by way of reply, spoke for 15 minutes.

All the Demands (Demand Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, and 30), with the consent of the House, were put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 5. The Punjab Appropriation No. 1 Bill, 2000

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2000 be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried. Then the Bill was considered clause by clause,

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Schedule

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 1

Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Finance and Planning moved that :—  
 “The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2000” be passed.  
 The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 6. Statement on the issue raised by the Hon'ble Members during the 'Zero Hour'

During the Zero Hour, certain Members raised a matter in the House in respect of arrest of Sardar Surjan Singh Joga, Ex-MLA due to non-payment of loan instalments by him.

The Hon'ble Minister for Parliamentary Affairs informed the House that the right for taking decisions in such matters has been vested in the Hon'ble Speaker.

#### 7. Walk-outs

1. Hon. Member Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party) staged a walk-out from the House in protest against one of her listed Questions having been disallowed.

2. Hon'ble Member Sh. Shingara Ram Sahengra (Bahujan Samaj Party) staged a walk out from the House as a protest against non-withdrawal of the notification regarding reservation for Scheduled Castes.

#### 8. Dharna

All the Hon. Member of the Congress Party, present in the House, sat on dharna in the well of the House against the notification issued by the Government under Section 4 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1984 for setting up of the proposed city of Anandgarh.

#### 9. Point of Order

Point of Order raised by the Hon'ble Member Sardar Kanwaljit Singh Lali was declared as 'No Point of Order.'

A Member of the Panel of Chairmen, Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, occupied the Chair from 11.59 A. M. to 12.50 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 16th March, 2000.



## BULLETIN NO. 7

Thursday, the 16th March, 2000

(From 10.00 A. M. to 2.30 P. M.)

## 1. Questions

At the outset, as per decision taken on 15th March, 2000, three supplementaries were put on the Starred Question No. 1830. Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions, as per the list of Business, was taken up.

## (a) Starred

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	No. of Supplementaries
20	7	—	—	39

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

## (b) Unstarred: 4

## 2. Resolution

The Hon'ble Chief Minister congratulated Sh. Ujjal Dosanjh for his having been elected as the Premier of British Columbia. In this regard, he moved a Resolution that this House, on behalf of all the Punjabis, congratulates Sh. Ujjal Dosanjh for his election as the Premier of British Columbia.

While presenting the Resolution, he spoke for two minutes.

Thereafter, the following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	3 Minutes
2.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	4 Minutes

1	2	3
3.	Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	4 Minutes
4.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal) (Mann)	3 Minutes
5.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	3 Minutes
6.	Shri Balramji Dass Tandon (Local Govt., Labour and Employment Minister)	3 Minutes

The Hon'ble Speaker also congratulated Shri Ujjal Dosanjh and informed the House that copy of the Congratulatory Resolution passed by the House will be sent to Shri Ujjal Dosanjh.

### 3. Call Attention Notice.

Call Attention Notice (No. 25) given by the Hon. Member Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding difficulties being faced by the School/College students in the State due to nuisance created by unrestricted use of loud-speakers, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister made a statement.

### 4. Presentation of Report—

#### Committee on Public Undertakings

The Chairman, Committee on Public Undertakings, Sh. Jagdish Sawhney, presented the 64th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1999-2000, relating to the Corporations/Boards which are running in losses.

### 5. Official-Resolution

The Hon'ble Chief Minister moved the following Resolution :-

"This House recommends to the Government of India to roll back the increase in the prices of fertilizers and essential commodities because the farmers and the poor are already suffering from economic burden.

If any rule/rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha is/are inconsistent with moving of this resolution, that/those rule/rules shall stand suspended to that extent."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 6. Non-Official Resolution

The Hon'ble Member Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta moved the following Resolution :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to take steps for setting up Guru Gobind Singh Chair in one of the Universities in the State on the occasion of Tercentenary of the Birth of Khalsa so as to make the world aware of the historical achievements made by Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji and Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji for the universal benefit of humanity, human dignity and freedom of the mankind through the principles of the Sikh Religion."

While doing so, he spoke for 20 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Hon'ble Members participated in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Sardar Kanwaljit Singh Lali (Indian National Congress)	03 Minutes
2.	The Hon'ble Power Minister (Sardar Sikander Singh Maluka)	20 Minutes
3.	The Hon'ble Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister (Sardar Tota Singh)	42 Minutes
4.	Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar (Shiromani Akali Dal)	14 Minutes
5.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal) (Mann)	07 Minutes
6.	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunia (Communist Party of India)	07 Minutes
7.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	09 Minutes
8.	The Hon'ble Higher Education Minister (Master Mohan Lal)	15 Minutes

### 7. Statement on the issue raised by the Hon'ble Members during 'Zero Hour'

During 'Zero Hour' an issue was raised regarding setting up of Generator Sets, whereupon the Chief Minister stated that permission for setting up of Generator Sets in the State would be given to every person liberally.

### 8. Walk-outs

1. Upon not receiving any response from the Government on the issues raised regarding the demands of farmers, all the Hon. Members of the Congress Party and the Communist Party of India present in the House, and the Hon. Member of Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann) Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, staged a walk-out from the House.

2. The Hon'ble Member Sh. Shingara Ram Sanungra (Bahujan Samaj Party) staged a walk out from the House as a protest against the notification issued by the Government regarding Reservation Policy.

3. On not being allowed enough time to speak on the reply of her Call Attention Notice, Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, a Member of the Bharatiya Janata Party, staged a walk-out from the House as a protest.

4. All the Hon. Members of the Congress Party and Communist Party of India, present in the House, the Hon'ble Member of Bahujan Samaj Party Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra and Hon. Member of Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann) Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar staged a walk out from the House as a protest against some objectionable words used by the Education Minister during his speech on Non-official Resoulution.

A Member of the Panel of Chairmen, Prof. Jagir Singh, occupied the Chair from 12.11 P. M. to 12.30 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 11.00 AM. on Wednesday, the 22nd March, 2000.

## BULLETIN No. 8

*Wednesday, the 22nd March, 2000*

(From 11.00 A.M. to 2.43 P.M.)

1. **Obituary References.**

The Hon'ble Chief Minister made references to the killings at Village Chatti-Singh Pura in District Anantnag (Jammu & Kashmir) on the 20th March, 2000 and he moved the following motion :-

"That this House strongly condemns the barbaric killings of innocent Sikhs on the night of 20th March, 2000 in village Chatti-Singh Pura, District Anantnag (Jammu & Kashmir) and other innocent persons killed in the Valley so far. This is a heinous crime and its motive is to demolish the organised set up of Indian Society. This is a pre-planned conspiracy. There is a need to suppress such heinous activities in the country. This House appeals to every Indian to fight against such activities unitedly."

While doing so, he spoke for two minutes.

Then the following Members paid tributes to the departed souls and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	04 Minutes
2.	Shri Balramji Dass Tandon (The Hon'ble Local Government, Labour and Employment Minister)	05 Minutes
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	06 Minutes
4.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal) (Manu)	03 Minutes
5.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	03 Minutes
6.	Sardar Ravi Inder Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	05 Minutes

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The House then observed silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the departed souls, and, thereafter, the House was adjourned (11.38 A. M.) till 12.20 P. M.

## 2. Questions

### (a) Starred

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	14	1	4	38

The Supplementaries to the Starred Question No. 2008 regarding "promotion in the Local Government Department" and Question No. 1998 regarding "complaints pertaining to embezzlement in the construction work in the Punjab State Ware-housing Corporation," were decided to be taken up on the 27th March, 2000 before taking up the regular list of Starred Questions for that day.

The reply to Starred Question No. 2018 was postponed by the Hon'ble Speaker.

### (b) Unstarred: 10

## 3. Presentation of Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001.

The Finance and Planning Minister presented the Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001, and read out his Budget Speech for one hour and twenty-three minutes.

The House then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Monday, the 27th March, 2000.

## BULLETIN NO. 9

Monday, the 27th March, 2000

(From 2.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.)

## 1. Questions

At the outset, as per decision taken on the 22nd March, 2000, fourteen Supplementaries were put on the Starred Questions No. 2008 and 1998 and, thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions, as per the List of Business, was taken up.

## (a) Starred

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	11	3	—	23

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

## (b) Unstarred: 10

## 2. Call Attention Notices

(a) Call Attention Notice (No. 34) given by the Hon'ble Member Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding poor sanitation arrangements in Amritsar City resulting in apprehension of spreading of diseases in the City, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Local Government, Labour and Employment Minister made a statement in this behalf.

(b) Call Attention Notice (No. 37) given by the Hon'ble Members Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh, Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar and Sardar Makhan Singh regarding inadequate arrangements for lifting of paddy from the Warehouses/Shellers in the State, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister made a statement in this behalf.

(c) Call Attention Notice (No. 44) given by the Hon'ble Member, Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding continuation of the recovery of border area House Rent inspite of the Government's Assurance not to effect recovery, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Finance Minister made a statement in this behalf.

## 2-A Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

The Hon'ble Speaker presented the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee to the House on the programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from 31st March, 2000 to 4th April, 2000.

The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved the following motion : —

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

The C. M. moved an amendment that the business of 31st March, 2000 be shifted to the 4th April, 2000 (A. S.)

The motion, as amended, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## 3. Papers Laid on the Table

The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table :—

1. The Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999, (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 1999) as required under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution of India.
2. The Audit Observations on the Utilization of Grants received by the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana during the period from 1st April, 1995 to 31st March, 1996, along with Government's comments, as required under Section 34 (5) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
3. The Annual Report of the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana for the year 1997-98, along with Government's comments, as required under Section 39 (3) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.



4. The Annual Reports of the Punjab Health Systems Corporation for the years 1995-96, 1996-97 and 1997-98, as required under Section 21 (4) of the Punjab Health Systems Corporation Act, 1996.
5. The 21st Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
6. The Audit Observations on the Utilization of the Grants received by the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, during the period from 1st April, 1996 to 31st March, 1997 alongwith Government's comments, as required under Section 34 (5) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970.
7. The 19th Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. (PUNSUP) for the year 1992-93, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
8. (i) Government of Punjab, Appropriation Accounts 1998-99; and  
(ii) Government of Punjab, Finance Accounts, 1998-99 ; as required under Clause (2) of Article 151 of the Constitution of India.

#### 4. Presentation of Reports

The Chairman, Committee on Public Accounts, Sh. Harmander Singh Jassi, presented the following Reports in the House :—

- (i) 126th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1990-91 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1990-91 (RR) relating to Excise and Taxation Department.
- (ii) 127th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1994-95 and 1996-97 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1994-95 (RR) and 1996-97 (RR) relating to the Departments of Agriculture and Horticulture.

### 5. Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001

#### General discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time	
		Hour	Minutes
1		2	3
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	1	06
2.	Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal (Shiromani Akali Dal)	0	29
3.	Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal (Shiromani Akali Dal)	0	44
4.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (Bharatiya Janata Party)	0	01

The Hon'ble Member, Sh. Satya Pal Saini was still on his legs, when the House adjourned.

### 6. Statement by the Chief Minister on the issue raised during the 'Zero Hour'

During the 'Zero Hour' an issue was raised regarding the massacre of Sikhs in District Anantnag (Jammu & Kashmir) whereupon the Chief Minister informed the House that the Cabinet had decided that an ex-gratia grant of Rupees two lakh and fifty thousand each would be paid to the kins of the deceased persons. He also assured that the Government will provide complete security to the members of the bereaved families.

### 7. Walk out

Upon not receiving any response from the Government on the issue raised regarding the judgement in respect of scheduled castes, all the Hon'ble Members of Congress Party, Hon'ble Member of the C.P.I. and the lone Member of Bahujan Samaj Party, Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra, present in the House, staged a walk-out from the House.

## 8. Points of Orders

The Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members were declared as 'No Points of Order'

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Number of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order.'
1	2	3
1.	Sardar Tota Singh (The Hon'ble Minister for Hr. Sec. and Prim. Edu.)	1
2.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar	
3.	Capt. Kanwaljit Singh (The Hon'ble Finance and Planning Minister)	1

Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, a member of Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 4.26 PM to 6.02 PM.

The House, then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Tuesday the 28th March, 2000.

## BULLETIN No. 10

*Tuesday, the 28th March, 2000*

(From 10.00 A.M. to 2.30 P.M.)

### 1. Congratulatory Resolution

The Hon'ble Chief Minister moved a resolution congratulating Shri Gurdial Singh, Punjabi Litterateur and Shri Nirmal Verma, Hindi Litterateur whose name was included later on, for having been honoured with the highest National Award for literature for their extraordinary contributions in the fields of literature, and, while moving the Resolution, he spoke for four minutes.

Thereafter the following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion on the Congratulatory Resolution and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1	2	3
1.	Choudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	02 Minutes
2.	(The Hon'ble Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister)	02 Minutes
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	02 Minutes
4.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal) (Mann)	01 Minute
5.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	01 Minute

The motion as amended, was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

## 2. Questions—

### (a) Postponed Starred Questions

At the outset, the list of postponed Starred Questions was taken up.

Total number of questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of supplementaries
8	8	—	—	27

Thereafter the regular list of starred questions was taken up.

## (b) Starred Questions

Total Number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of supplementaries
20	6	—	1	11

The remaining starred questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

## (c) Unstarred Questions : 7

## 3. Call Attention Notices

(a) Call Attention Notice (No. 49) given by the Hon'ble Member, Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding non-availability of medicines for patients suffering from Tuberculosis in the T.B. Hospital, Amritsar, was admitted.

The Medical Education Minister made a statement in this behalf.

(b) Call Attention Notice (No. 50) given by the Hon'ble Member Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding non-supply of medicines to mental patients in the Mental Hospital, Amritsar, due to which the patients suffering from insomnia, keep awake the whole night and the atmosphere in the Hospital becomes tense and unmanageable, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Health and Family Welfare Minister made a statement in this behalf.

(c) Call Attention Notice (No. 54) given by the Hon'ble Members, Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Rana regarding leakage in Mukerian Hydel Canal at R. D. 11250 (Village Khatgarh) resulting in apprehension of huge financial loss.

The Hon'ble Power Minister made statement in this behalf.

#### 4. Papers laid on the Table

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table :—

- (a) The Punjab School Education Board (Amendment) Ordinance 2000, (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 2000), as required under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution of India.
- (b) (i) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (First Amendment) Rules, 1994;
- (ii) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Second Amendment) Rules, 1997;
- (iii) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Third Amendment) Rules, 1997;
- (iv) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (First Amendment) Rules, 1999;
- (v) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Second Amendment) Rules, 1999;
- (vi) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Third Amendment) Rules, 1999;
- (vii) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (First Amendment) Rules, 2000;
- (viii) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Second Amendment) Rules, 2000;
- ix) The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Rules, 2000; as required under section 212 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.
- (c) The Sales Regulations of the Punjab State Electricity Board for Supply of Electric Energy to Consumers (updated to 31st March, 1999) and Conditions of Supply for sale of Electric Energy to Consumers (updated to 31st March, 1999).

#### 5. Presentation of Reports—

##### 1. Committee on Public Accounts

The Chairman, Committee on Public Accounts, Sh. Harminder Singh Jassi, presented the following Reports in the House :—

- (i) 128th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1993-94 and 1994-95 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1993-94 (RR) and 1994-95 (RR) relating to the Revenue Department.

- (ii) 129th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1996-97 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1996-97 (Civil) relating to the Department of Rural Development and Panchayats.

**2. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes**

The Chairman, Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes presented the 25th and 26th Reports of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 1999-2000, in respect of the reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in services and posts in respect of the Punjab School Education Board and the Punjab Financial Corporation.

**6. The Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001:**

**Resumption of General discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001.**

Shri Satya Pal Sajni, a Member of Bharatiya Janata Party who was still on his legs when the House adjourned on the 27th March, 2000, resumed his speech and spoke for 15 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each .—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal (Indian National Congress)	30 Minutes
2.	Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar (Shiromani Akali Dal)	29 „
3.	Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta (Shiromani Akali Dal)	25 „
4.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	35 „

### 7. Statements by the Hon'ble Minister on the issue raised during the 'Zero Hour'.

During the 'Zero Hour', an issue was raised regarding cancellation of the Examination Centre at Zira which had caused a strike by the students. The Higher Education Minister stated that the Government does not intend to cause any harassment to the students by cancellation of the said Examination Centre. He also stated that the Government has decided that the said Examination Centre will be continued there.

### 8. Walk-Out

1. On not being permitted enough time during the Question Hour, Hon'ble Member, Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla of Bharatiya Janata Party, staged a walk out as a protest, from the House.

2. All the Hon'ble Members of the Congress Party sought to raise an issue regarding holding of a rally by the Employees and upon not receiving any statement from the Government, staged a walk out as a protest from the House (Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal stated that she also associates herself in the walk-out, but remained seated in her seat).

Prof. Jagir Singh, a member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 12. 15 P.M. to 1.27 P.M. and again from 2. 14 P.M. to 2. 25 P.M.

The House, then adjourned till 10.00 A. M. on Wednesday, the 29th March, 2000.

### BULLETIN No. 11

Wednesday, the 29th March, 2000

(From 10.00 A. M. to 3.02 P. M.)

#### 1. Questions—

##### (a) Starred

Total number of questions on the order p per	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	13	3	—	40



The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha and it was also decided that the sitting of 30th March, 2000 (Morning sitting) will be started with the supplementaries on Starred Question No. 1914.

(b) Unstarred : 5

## 2. Presentation of Reports

### 1. Committee on Estimates

The Chairman, Committee on Estimates, Sh. Satya Pal Saini presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 1999-2000 in respect of Transport Department, Punjab.

### 2. Committee on Public Undertakings

The Chairman, Committee on Public Undertakings, Sh. Jagdish Sawhney presented the 65th and 66th Reports of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 1999-2000 relating to the expenditure on vehicles of Boards/Corporations of Punjab States and General Working of the Punjab State Forest Development Corporation Limited, respectively.

### 3. Committee on Papers laid/to be laid on the Table

The Chairman, Committee on Papers laid/to be laid on the Table, Sardar Bhag Singh Malla, presented the 11th Report of the Committee on Papers laid/to be laid on the Table for the Year 1999-2000.

### 3. The Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001

**Resumption of General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001**

The following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party)	17 Minutes
2.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	14 Minutes

	2	3
3.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	29 Minutes
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (Bahajan Samaj Party)	10 Minutes
5.	Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	19 Minutes
6.	Sardar Makhan Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	19 Minutes
7.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal) (Mann)	15 Minutes

The Hon'ble Finance and Planning Minister, by way of reply, spoke for one Hour and 11 minutes.

#### 4. Walk-Out

On not being permitted to speak on an issue raised by a Member of the Shiromani Akali Dal during the 'Zero Hour', all the Hon. Members of the Indian National Congress Party and Communist Party of India present in the House staged a walk-out, as a protest from the House.

#### 5. Extension of Time

The time of the sitting, with the consent of the House, was extended till the speech of the Hon'ble Finance Minister, was over.

#### 6. Points of Order

Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members were declared as 'No Points of Order'

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Number of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order'
1.	Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira	1
2.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh	1
3.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	6
4.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar	4

Sh. Arunesh Shakar, a member of Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 11.49 A. M. to 1.05 P. M.

The House, then, adjourned till 10.00 A. M. on Thursday, the 30th March, 2000.

**SPECIAL BULLETIN NO. 2****General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the Year 2000-2001.**

General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001, took place on three days i. e. the 27th March, 28th March and 29th March, 2000 lasting seven hours and 47 minutes.

Details of the time taken by various parties/groups is as under :—

Sr. No.	Party/Group	Number of Members who participated	Time Taken Hour Minutes
1.	*Treasury Benches	8	4-28
2.	Indian National Congress	3	2-05
3.	Communist Party of India	1	0-35
4.	Bahujan Samaj Party	1	0-10
5.	Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann)	1	0-15
6.	Independent	1	0-14

Note :—1. Time taken by the Treasury benches includes the time taken by the Hon' ble Finance Minister, who spoke for 1 Hour and 11 minutes.

2. \*The Treasury Benches include the members of Shiromani Akali Dal and Bharatiya Janata Party.

**Bulletin No. 12**

*Thursday, the 30th March, 2000*

(Morning sitting)

(From 10-00 A.M. to 2-42 P.M.)

**1. Questions**

At the outset, as per decision taken on the 29th March, 2000 Starred Question No. 1914 was taken up. Six Supplementaries were put thereon. Thereafter, the Regular list of Starred Questions as per the list of Business, was taken up.

## 2. Starred

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Total Number of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
	20	7	—	29

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The remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha. The decision was taken that supplementaries to Starred Question No. 2082 will be asked in the sitting to be held on the 30th March, 2000.

(b) Unstarred : 3

## 2. Call Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 57) given by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, regarding mass copying in the 10+2 examination in the State, was admitted.

The Education Minister made a statement in this behalf.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 58) given by Shri Satya Pal Saini regarding the difficulties being faced by the passengers because the buses of Pathankot and Hoshiarpur Depot do not touch Mohali Bus Stand while going from Chandigarh to Pathankot and back, was admitted.

The Transport Minister made a statement in this behalf.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 60) given by Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta regarding discontentment amongst the residents of Ward Nos. 8, 9 and 10 because of contaminated water being supplied by Municipal Council, Moga, was admitted.

The Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister made a statement in this behalf.

### 3. Presentation of Report

#### The Committee on Government Assurances

The Chairman, Committee on Government Assurances, Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, presented the 33rd Report of the Committee on Government Assurances for the year 1999-2000.

### 4. Discussion and voting on Demands for Grants relating to the Budget Estimates for the year 2000-2001.

The Demands number 1 to 30 mentioned in the List of Business were, with the consent of the House deemed to have been read and moved together. The decision was also taken that all the demands be discussed together and the Hon'ble Members while discussing the demands, may state the demand number on which they wish to speak. The Hon'ble Speaker informed the House that gullotin will be applied at 1-00 P.M.

The following Hon. Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time indicated against each :—

S. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	24 Minutes
2.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	36 Minutes.
3.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal) (Mann)	12 Minutes.
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	9 Minutes.

All the demands i.e. all the thirty demands (No. 1 to 30) were put together to the vote of the House, with the consent of the House, and carried.

### 5. Financial Business.

#### The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2), Bill, 2000.

The Hon'ble Finance Minister introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2000 and also moved that :—

“The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2000 be taken into consideration at once.”

Thereafter, the following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

S. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bharatiya Janata Party)	11 Minutes
2.	Sardar Sital Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	05 Minutes
3.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party)	06 Minutes
4.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (Bharatiya Janata Party)	05 Minutes
5.	Smt. Roop Rani (Bharatiya Janata Party)	01 Minute
6.	Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli (Shiromani Akali Dal)	07 Minutes
7.	Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu (Shiromani Akali Dal)	03 Minutes
8.	Sardar Hira Singh Gabria (Shiromani Akali Dal)	07 Minutes

The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 23 minutes.

He also moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2000, may be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The bill was then discussed clause by clause.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 3**

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Schedule**

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 1**

Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Finance Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**6. Statement by the Chief Minister on a matter raised during Zero Hour.**

The Chief Minister made a statement in the House with reference to a matter raised during the 'Zero Hour' that the security cover for the Ex-Jathedar Sahib of Sri Akal Takht Sahib will be provided according to his will.

**7. Walk-out**

On not having been allowed enough time to speak on the matter of Ex-Jathedar Sahib of Sri Akal Takht Sahib, raised during 'Zero Hour', the Hon'ble Members of Shiromani Akali Dal—Sardar Hira Singh Gabbra, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra and Smt. Daljit Kaur and the Hon'ble Member of Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann) Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, while raising slogans, staged a walk out as a protest from the House.

**8. Point of Order**

Two Points of Order sought to be raised by the Hon'ble Member Sardar Avtar Singh Brar and a Point of Order sought to be raised by Shri Romesh Chander Dogra were declared as 'No Points of Order'.

### 9. Extension of time

The Speaker with the consent of the House, extended the time of the sitting till the passing of the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2000.

A member of the Panel of Chairmen, Prof. Jagir Singh, Bhullar occupied the Chair from 11.47 A.M. to 12.58 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 3-30 P.M. this day, the 30th March, 2000.

### BULLETIN NO. 13

*Thursday, the 30th March, 2000*

(Afternoon sitting)

(From 3-30 P.M. to 8-00 P.M.)

### 1. Questions

(a) Starred

Total number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	14	1	1	43

The remaining questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

### 2. Call Attention Notice

Call Attention Notice (No. 62) given by the Hon'ble Member Dr. Ram Kumar Goel regarding damaged Sewerage system in Abohar Town resulting in apprehension of breaking out of epidemic in the town, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Local Govt. and Labour and Employment Minister made a statement in this behalf.



### 3. Presentation of Report

#### Committee on Subordinate Legislation

The Chairman, Committee on Subordinate Legislation, Sh. Satpal Gosain presented the 29th Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year 1999-2000

### 4. Motion regarding Constitution of Elected Committees for the year 2000-2001.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved that :—

‘Whereas the election to the —

1. Committee on Public Accounts;
2. Committee on Estimates;
3. Committee on Public Undertakings; and
4. Committee on the welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes

for the year 2000-2001, are to be held before the 31st March, 2000; and

Whereas the time left at the disposal of the House is extremely short and it is not possible to conduct, in the normal course, the election to these Committees;

Now, therefore, this House authorises the Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha, to nominate the Members of the aforesaid Committees for the aforesaid year, keeping in view the proportionate strength of various parties/Groups in the House;

This House further resolves that for the above purpose, the rules of the Rules of Procedure and conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), relating to the elections to the said Committee for the year 2000-2001 which are inconsistent with or contrary to the above resolution, shall stand suspended.”

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### 5. Non-official Resolution

The Hon'ble Member, Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar moved the following resolution :—

"This House recommends to the State Government to take steps for providing free electricity to the persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes, Backward Classes and other poor classes in all the areas of the State, on the analogy of the scheme for providing free electricity to the farmers in the rural areas of the State."

While moving the resolution, he spoke for 30 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

S. No.	Name of the Member	TIME
1.	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala (Shiromani Akali Dal)	21 Minutes
2.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	31 Minutes
3.	Sardar Sadhu Singh Brar (Shiromani Akali Dal)	07 Minutes
4.	Capt. Balbir Singh Bath (Shiromani Akali Dal)	08 Minutes
5.	Jathedar Ajaypal Singh Meerankot (Shiroman Akali Dal)	03 Minutes
6.	Sardar Makhan Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	32 Minutes
7.	Sardar Tota Singh (The Hon'ble Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister)	29 Minutes
8.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (Bharatiya Janata Party)	07 Minutes
9.	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta (Communist Party of India)	04 Minutes
10.	Sardar Sikander Singh Maluka (The Hon'ble Power Minister)	04 Minutes

## 6 Walk-out

As a protest against the non-official resolution having been allowed to be talked out, the Member of Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann), Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, the Member of C.P.I., Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, the Member of Bahujan Samaj Party, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra and the Member of Congress Party Sardar Kanwaljit Singh Lali, staged a walk out from the House,

## 7. Points of Order

The Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members declared as 'No Points of Order' :

1. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria	1
2. Sardar Kanwaljit Singh Lali	3
3. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra	1
4. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	2
5. Chaudhary Mohan Lal Bahram	1
6. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi	1

Prof. Jagir Singh, a Member of Panel of Chairmen, occupied the Chair from 4.59 P.M. to 6.49 P.M.

The House then, adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Monday, the 3rd April, 2000.

## BULLETIN No. 14

*Monday, the 3rd April, 2000.*

(From 2.00 P.M. to 6.29 P.M.)

## 1. Questions

At the outset, as per the decision taken on the 30th March, 2000 (Morning Sitting) starred Question No. 2082 was taken up but no supplementary was put as the Member concerned was not present in the House. Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions, as per the List of Business, was taken up.

## (a) Starred

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	11	—	4	38

The remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, and it was also decided that supplementaries to the Starred Question No. 2030 will be resumed on the 4th April, 2000 (Afternoon sitting).

## (b) Unstarred : 2

**Call Attention Notices**

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 63) given by the Hon'ble Member Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla regarding non-payment of price of sugarcane to the farmers by some Sugar Mills in the State after 13th December, 1999, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Agriculture Minister made a statement in this behalf.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 65) given by the Hon'ble Member Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla regarding non-issuance of certificates after checking pollution of vehicles in Tehsils Samana and Patiala thus extracting money on the pretext of Vehicles Pollution Check, was admitted.

The Hon. Transport Minister made a statement in this behalf.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 66) given by Hon. Member Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding extreme resentment prevailing amongst the masses and particularly the people belonging to low middle classes due to enhancement in the admission fees of the Schools to the extent of 50% to 100% during the month of March, 2000, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Education Minister made a statement in this behalf.

### 3. Papers laid on the Table

The Hon'ble Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister laid on the Table :—

- (i) The Punjab Reservation for the Offices of Sarpanches of Gram Panchayats and Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads (First Amendment) Rules, 2000; and
- (ii) The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads Services (First Amendment) Rules, 2000.

as required under section 227 (3) of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994.

### 4. Legislative Business and Resolutions under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution of India.

#### 1. The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2000 (Replacing Ordinance)

The Hon'ble Transport Minister introduced the Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 2000, and moved that the Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 2000 be taken into consideration at once.

Sh. Romesh Chander Dogra, while taking part in the discussion on the Bill spoke for 3 minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 to 5

There being no amendment to clauses 2 to 5, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Transport Minister also moved that the Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 2000, be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**2. The Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 2000.**

The Hon'ble Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister introduced the Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter the Bill was considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister moved that the Punjab Public Premises and Land (Eviction and Rent Recovery) Amendment Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 3. The Registration (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 2000

The Hon'ble Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister introduced the Registration (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

While taking part in the discussion, Shri Romesh Chander Dogra spoke for two minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister moved that the Registration (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 4. The Punjab Entertainments Duty (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2000 (Replacing Ordinance)

The Hon'ble Excise and Taxation Minister introduced the Punjab Entertainments Duty (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clauses 2 to 4**

There being no amendments to Clauses 2 to 4, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Excise and Taxation Minister moved that the Punjab Entertainments Duty (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**5. The Punjab Tax on Entry of Goods into Local Areas Bill, 2000 (Replacing Ordinance).**

The Hon'ble Excise and Taxation Minister introduced the Punjab Tax on entry of Goods into Local Areas Bills, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Thereafter, the following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	02 Min.
2.	Shri Satya Pal Saini (Bhartiya Janata Party)	01 Min.

The Hon'ble Excise and Taxation Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 1 minute.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter the Bill was considered clause by clause.



**Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1**

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clauses 2 to 13**

There being no amendments to Clauses 2 to 13, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Excise and Taxation Minister moved that the Punjab Tax on Entry of Goods into Local Areas Bill, 2000, be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**6. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2000  
(Replacing Ordinance).**

The Excise and Taxation Minister introduced the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The Following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each.

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	02 Minutes
2.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	01 Minute

The Hon'ble Excise and Taxation Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 1 minute.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 3**

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-clause 1 of clause 1**

Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Excise and Taxation Minister moved that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**7. The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999  
(Punjab Ordinance No. 11 of 1999)**

and

**The Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2000  
(Replacing Ordinance)**

The resolution notice regarding disapproval of the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 given by the Hon'ble Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi was deemed to have been read and moved.

The Hon'ble Rural Development and Panchayats Minister introduced the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

With the consent of the House, it was decided that the resolution disapproving the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Punjab Ordinance No. 11 of 1999) given notice of by the Hon'ble Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2000, be discussed together and motions thereto be put to the vote of the House, separately.

The following Hon'ble members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

1. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (C.P.I.) .. 3 minutes
2. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (I.N.C.) .. 9 ..
3. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (S.A.D. (M)) .. 2 ..

The Hon'ble Rural Development and Panchayats Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 1 minute.

The motion of resolution disapproving the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Ordinance, 1999 (Ordinance No. 11 of 1999) given by Hon'ble Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The motion, that the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2000 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 to 6

There being no amendments to Clauses 2 to 6, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Rural Development and Panchayats Minister moved that the Punjab Panchayati Raj (Amendment) Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 8. The Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000 (Replacing Ordinance)

The Hon'ble Local Government, Labour and Employment Minister introduced the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each —

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| 1. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi.<br>(Communist Party of India) | .. 6 minutes |
| 2. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra<br>(Indian National Congress)   | .. 7 minutes |
| 3. Sardar Maheshbinder Singh Grewal<br>(Shiromani Akali Dal) | .. 3 minutes |
| 4. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi<br>(Shiromani Akali Dal)  | .. 7 minutes |

The Hon'ble Local Government, and Labour and Employment Minister, by way of reply, spoke for four minutes:

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

#### Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister moved that the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**9. The Punjab School Education Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000  
(Replacing Ordinance)**

The Hon'ble Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister introduced the Punjab School Education Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Thereafter, the following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

1. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi .. 6 minutes  
(Communist Party of India)
2. Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal .. 6 minutes  
(Shiromani Akali Dal)

The Hon'ble Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister by way of reply, spoke for half a minute.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clauses 2 to 5**

There being no amendment to Clauses 2 to 5, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister moved that the Punjab School Education Board (Amendment) Bill, 2000, be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 10. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment & Validation) Bill, 2000 (Replacing Ordinance)

The Hon'ble Excise and Taxation Minister introduced the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

1. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (CPI) .. 6 Min.
2. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (INC) .. 2 Min.

The Hon'ble Excise and Taxation Minister, by way of reply, spoke for two minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.  
Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 to 5

There being no amendments to Clauses 2 to 5, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Excise and Taxation Minister moved that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 6. Walk-outs

Upon not receiving any response from the Government on the issue raised during the 'Zero Hour' regarding the non-acceptance of the recommendations made by the D. P. C. of the Education Department, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (B. S. P.) staged a walk-out from the House in protest.

As a protest against the resolution disapproving the Ordinance in respect of Punjab Panchayati Raj Act having been lost and the Bill replacing the same having been passed, all the Hon'ble Members of the Congress Party and C.P.I., present in the House, and Member of B. S. P., Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra and Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (S.A.D. (M)) staged a walk-out from the House.

### 7. Points of Order

The Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members were declared as 'No Points of Order' :—

Sr No.	Name of the Member	No. of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order'
1	2	3
1.	Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi	2
2.	Shri Chiranji Lal Garg (Science & Technology, Law and Legislative Affairs & Justice Minister)	1
3.	Sardar Avtar Singh Brar	1
4.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (INC)	1
5.	Sardar Makhan Singh	1
6.	Shri Madan Mohan Mittal (Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister)	1

The House then adjourned till 10-00 A. M. on Tuesday, the 4th April, 2000.

## BULLETIN NO. 15

Tuesday, The 4th April, 2000.

(Morning sitting)

(From 10-00 A.M. to 2-49 P. M.)

## 1. Questions

## (a) Postponed Starred Questions

Total number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementries
8	5	1	2	13

Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

## (b) Starred

Total Number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
19	7	2	1	19

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

## (c) Unstarred Questions : 2

## 2. Dharna

The Members of the Shiremani Akali Dal-S. Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi, S. Sohan Singh Bogal and S. Bikramjit Singh Khalsa and the Member of Bahujan Samaj Party, Sh. Shingara Ram Sahungra sat on Dharna in the Well of the House while raising slogans in protest against inclusion of the Raj Sikhs and Rajputs in the list of the Scheduled Castes.



### 3. Short Adjournment of the House

The House was adjourned for 10 minutes (from 11.46 A.M. to 11.56 A.M.) for reassembling.

### 4. Dharna

S. Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal, S. Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi, S. Jagtar Singh Rajla, S. Bikramjit Singh Khalsa, S. Inderjit Singh Zira, S. Harmail Singh Tohra, S. Surjit Singh Kohli, S. Manjit Singh Calcutta, S. Prem Singh Lalpura and Smt. Daljit Kaur (Shiromani Akali Dal), Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (B.S.P.) sat on Dharna in the Well of the House in protest against the statement having been made by the Government regarding the commitment made by the three Members Committee constituted in connection with the issue of Udham Singh Nagar.

### 5. Call Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 67) given by Hon. Member Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding extracting money on the pretext of capitation fee/building fund from the students seeking admission in the Primary Classes in the Public Schools situated in Amritsar, Jalandhar, Ludhiana and other smaller towns in the State, was admitted.

The Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister made a statement in this behalf.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 68) given by Hon. Member Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla regarding extreme distress prevailing amongst the 240 students of Dashmesh Institute of Research and Dental Sciences, Faridkot, due to Non-recognition of their Degree by the Dental Council of India, was admitted.

The Medical Education and Research Minister made a statement in this behalf.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 70) given by Hon. Member Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla regarding poor sanitation conditions in Bajwa Colony, Hargobind Colony, Model Town, Indira Colony, Virk Colony, Anand Nagar and Tripuri Town of Patiala City resulting in apprehension of breaking out of epidemic in the city, was admitted.

The Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment made a statement in this behalf.

## 6. Financial Business

The Hon. Parliamentary Affairs Minister presented the Excess Demands over Grants and Appropriations for the years 1990-1991, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96.

## 7. Legislative Business

### 1. The East Punjab Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 2000.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs introduced the East Punjab Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clause 3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved that the East Punjab Ministers' Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 2. The Salaries and Allowances of Deputy Ministers, Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 2000.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs introduced the Salaries and Allowances of Deputy Ministers, Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.  
Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

**Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1.**

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 3**

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1**

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Salaries and Allowances of Deputy Ministers, Punjab (Amendment) Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**3. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 2000.**

The Hon. Minister for Excise and Taxation introduced the Punjab General Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time indicated against each :—

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| 1. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India) | 2 Minutes |
| 2. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)  | 1 Minute  |
| 3. Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bharatiya Janata Party)         | 1 Minute  |
| 4. Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party)      | 1 Minute  |
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The Hon. Minister for Excise and Taxation, by way of reply, spoke for one minute.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 to 5

As there were no amendments to Clauses 2 to 5, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Excise and Taxation moved that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 4. Punjab General Sales Tax (Fourth Amendment) Bill, 2000.

The Hon. Minister for Excise and Taxation introduced the Punjab General Sales Tax (Fourth Amendment) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Shri Ramesh Chander Dogra, M.L.A. took part in the discussion on the Bill and spoke for half a minute.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1**

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Excise and Taxation moved that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Fourth Amendment) Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**5. The Punjab Social Security Bill, 2000.**

The Hon'ble Minister for Social Security and Development of Women and Children introduced the Punjab Social Security Bill, 2000 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Hon'ble Member Chaudhary Jagjit Singh, while speaking on the Bill, spoke for four minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, The bill was considered clause by clause.

**Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1**

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clauses 2 to 13**

As there were no amendments to clauses 2 to 13, these were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1**

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Social Security and Development of Women and Children moved that the Punjab Social Security Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Discussion on Reports

Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta had given notices of discussion on the following Reports :—

1. Annual Statement of the Punjab Urban Planning and Development Authority for the year 1997-98, which was laid on the Table of the House on the 9th March, 2000.
2. Annual Statement of Pepsu Road Transport Corporation for the year 1997-98, alongwith Review, which was laid on the Table of the House on the 9th March, 2000.

Both the Reports, with the consent of the House, were discussed together.

The following Hon. Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

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|---|------------|
| 1. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)      | 21 Minutes |
| 2. Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta (Communist Party of India)      | 10 Minutes |
| 3. Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bharatiya Janata Party)              | 7 Minutes  |
| 4. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)       | 7 Minutes  |
| 5. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal) (Mann) | 5 Minutes  |
| 6. Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal (Shiromani Akali Dal)     | 9 Minutes  |
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The Hon. Minister for Housing and Urban Development, by way of reply, spoke for 21 minutes.

The Hon. Minister for Transport, by way of reply, spoke for five minutes.

## 9. Financial Business

### Voting on Excess Demands over Grants and Appropriations for the years from 1990-91 to 1995-96.

1. Discussion on the Excess Demands over Grants of the expenditure charged on the revenue of the State.

2. Voting on the Excess Demands over Grants.

Excess Demands (4) namely Demands No. 13, 15, 18 and 21 over the Grants and Appropriations for the year 1990-91 mentioned in the list of Business, Excess Demands (Total Demands) namely 8, 12, 15, 17, 19, 21 and 25 over Grants and Appropriations for the year 1991-92, Excess Demands (Total Demands 4) namely Demands No. 12, 15, 19 and 29 over the Grants and Appropriation for the year 1992-93, Excess Demands (Total Demands 4) namely Demands No. 13, 15, 21 and 29 over Grant and Appropriations for the year 1993-94, Excess Demands (Total Demands 6) namely Demands No. 12, 15, 19, 21, 22 and 27 over Grants and Appropriations for the year 1994-95 and Excess Demands (Total Demands 7) namely Demand 8, 10, 12, 15, 18, 21, 22 over Grants and Appropriations for the year 1995-96 were, with the consent of the House, deemed to have been read together and moved.

All Demands, namely, total four demands relating to the year 1990-91, total seven demands relating to the year 1991-92, total four demands relating to the year 1992-93, total four demands relating to the year 1993-94 and total six demands relating to the year 1994-95 and total seven demands relating to the year 1995-96 were, with the consent of the House, put together to the vote of the House and carried.

### (II) Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 2000

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Clause 2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 3**

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Schedule I to Schedule VI**

Schedule I to Schedule VI were put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 1**

Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 3) Bill, 2000 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**10. Extension of time**

With the consent of the House, the time of the sitting of the House was extended by half an hour.

Professor Jagir Singh Bhullar, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen, occupied the chair from 1.05 P.M. to 1.58 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 4.00 P.M. this day, the 4th April, 2000.

**BULLETIN No. 16**

*Tuesday, the 4th April, 2000*

*(Afternoon sitting)*

*(From 4.00 P.M. to 9.30 P.M.)*

**1 Questions**

(a) At the outset, as per the decision taken on the 3rd April, 2000, Starred Question No. 2030 was taken up. Three supplementaries were put thereon.



**(b) Postponed Starred question**

Starred Question No. 2102 postponed from the Sitting of 3rd April, 2000, was put and four supplementaries were put thereon.

**(c) Starred —**

Total number of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementa- ries
16	10	—	—	35

The remaining Starred Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

**2. Call Attention Notices**

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 75) given by the Hon. Members Sardar Gardev Singh Sidhu, Sardar Makhan Singh and Sardar Sital Singh regarding proposed meeting of the Department of Social Welfare, Punjab on 6th April, 2000 to review the reservation for the Scheduled Castes in services and posts, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Minister for Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes made a statement in this behalf.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 76) given by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi regarding non-supply of drinking water to three villages due to burning of electric motor of water works installed in village Datewas, Tehsil Budhlada, District Mansa, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Public Health Minister made a statement in this behalf.

**3. Motion under Rule 16**

The Hon'ble Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister moved that the Vidhan Sabha (Assembly) at its rising this day shall stand adjourned *sine-die*.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 4. Resolution under Article 368 of the Constitution

The Hon'ble Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister moved that this House ratifies the amendment to the Constitution of India falling within the purview of clause (d) of the proviso to clause (2) of Article 368, proposed to be made by the Constitution (Eighty-fourth Amendment) Bill, 1999, as passed by the two Houses of Parliament.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### 5. Official Resolution under section 65 of the Electricity (supply) Act, 1948.

The Hon'ble Power Minister moved that .—

"Whereas in pursuance of the provisions of sub-section (3) of Section 65 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 (Central Act No. 54 of 1948), the Government of Punjab intends to raise the limit of maximum amount, which the Punjab State Electricity Board may at any time, have on loan under sub-section (1) of Section 65 of the said Act, from the existing limit of Rs. 3000 Crores, fixed with the approval of the Vidhan Sabha vide Government of Punjab, Department of Irrigation and Power Memo, No. 2/2/95-IPE (5)/7531, dated 7th April, 1998 to Rs. 4,000 Crores (Rupees Four Thousand Crores only) which can be done by it with the approval of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

Now, therefore, it is resolved and this House does hereby accord its approval to the fixing of the sum of Rs. 4,000 Crores (Rupees Four Thousand Crores only) as the maximum amount which the Punjab State Electricity Board may at any time have on loan under sub-section (1) of Section 65 of the Act aforesaid."

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

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1. Sardar Sher Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	06 Minutes
2. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	10 Minutes

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1	2	3
3.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	.. 2 Minutes
4.	Sardar Hira Singh Gahria (Shiromani Akali Dal)	.. 7 Minutes
5.	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party)	.. 1 Minute
6.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal Mann)	.. 2 Minutes

The Hon'ble Power Minister, by way of reply, spoke for seven minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 6. Official Resolution under Article 252 of the Constitution

The Hon'ble Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister moved :—

‘Whereas, the Punjab Legislative Assembly considers that it is desirable to have a uniform law throughout India for the regulation of Public Debt of the States and for all matters connected therewith or ancillary and incidental thereto;

And whereas, the subject matter of such a law is relatable mainly to the matter enumerated in entry 43 in List II in the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India;

And whereas, the Parliament has no power to make such a law for the States with respect to the matter enumerated in Entry 43 in List II, aforesaid except as provided in Articles 249 and 250 of the Constitution of India;

And Whereas, the Public Debt Act, 1944, is applicable for marketable loans raised by Reserve Bank of India on behalf of both the Union and the State Governments;

And whereas, it is felt desirable to repeal the Public Debt Act, 1944 (Central Act 18 of 1944) and replace the same with a new Legislation viz. "Government Securities Act" in order to enable the Reserve Bank of India to render efficient and improved service to the holders of Government Securities;

Now, therefore, in pursuance of Clause (1) of Article 252 of the Constitution of India; this House resolves that Parliament be empowered to regulate by law matters relating to Government securities and all other matters connected therewith or ancillary or incidental thereto."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### 7. Motion under Rule 77

The Hon'ble Housing and Urban Development Minister moved the following motion :—

"On the occasion of Tercentenary Celebrations of the Birth of Khalsa, the Panjab Government has decided to launch many ambitious programmes/development projects and to commemorate this auspicious occasion the Government has decided to set up a new city in the name of Anandgarh. Hence the motion be discussed."

The motion was put to the vote of the House.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

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1. Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	..	11	Minutes
2. Sardar Makhon Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	..	26	"
3. Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal (Shiromani Akali Dal)	..	28	"

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1	2	3	4
4.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney (Bharatiya Janata Party)	9	Minutes
5.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	14	„
6.	Shri Madan Mohan Mittal (Hon'ble Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister)	11	„
7.	Sardar Ravi Inder Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	24	„
8.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann))	6	„
9.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahangra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	15	„
10.	(Sardar Sohan Singh Bodal (Shiromani Akali Dal))	1	„

The Hon'ble Housing and Urban Development Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 21 minutes.

#### 8. Extension of Time

The time of the sitting, with the consent of the House, was extended for one hour.

#### 9. Statement by the Education Minister on the issue raised during 'Zero Hour'.

During 'Zero Hour' an issue was raised by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi regarding the recruitment of E. T. T. and B. Ed. Teachers. The Education Minister made a statement in this behalf.

# 10. Points of Order

Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members were declared as 'No Points of Order.'

1. Sardar Makhan Singh	..	1
2. Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal	..	1
3. Sardar Gurdev Singh [Sidhu	..	1
4. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar	..	2
5. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria	..	1
6. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	.	1
7. Shri Satya Pal Saini.	..	1
8. Shri Jagdish Sawhney	..	1
9. Sardar Baldev Sing Khiala	..	1

A Member of Panel of Chairmen, Prof. Jagir Singh, occupied the Chair from 6.50 P. M. to 8.09 P. M.

The House then adjourned *sine-die*.

## APPENDIX-- II

## 32. COMMITTEES

## (i) Elected Committees

## 1. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 2000-2001

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 5th April, 2000 in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on 30th March, 2000 (A. S.)

1. Shri Harminder Singh Jassi
2. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi
3. Sardar Hira Singh Gobra
4. Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira
5. Sardar Jatinder Singh Kariha
6. Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra
7. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal
8. Sardar Mantar Singh Brar
9. \*Shrimati Rajinder Kaur Bhattal
10. Dr. Ram Kumar Geel
11. \*Sardar Ravi Inder Singh
12. Shri Satya Pal Saini
13. Sardar Sher Singh

Under Rule 184 (1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Shri Harminder Singh Jassi as Chairman of the Committee.

\*Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, MLA and Shrimati Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, MLA resigned from the membership of the Committee w.e.f. 28-4-2000 and 4-5-2000 respectively. In the vacancies thus caused Sardar Sadhu Singh Payal, MLA Sardar Gurcharan Singh Dirba, (MLA) were nominated by the Hon'ble. Speaker on 19-5-2000 and 17-5-2000 respectively to serve on the Committee for the remaining period of 2000-01

## II. COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 2000-2001

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 5th April, 2000 in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on 30th March, 2000 (A.S.)

1. S. Gurdip Singh Bhullar
2. Jath. Ajaypal Singh Mirankot
3. S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar
4. S. Avtar Singh Brar
5. Capt. Balbir Singh Bath
6. S. Balbir Singh Nathana
7. S. Bhag Singh Malla
8. S. Gurdev Singh Sidhu
9. S. Harmail Singh Tohra
10. Shri Jagdish Sawhney
11. S. Jagtar Singh Rajla
12. Smt. Roop Rani
13. S. Tej Parkash Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Panjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar as Chairman of the Committee.



### III. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS FOR THE YEAR 2000-2001

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 5th April, 2000 in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on 30th March, 2000 (A.S.)

- \*1. Prof. Jagir Singh Bhullar
2. S. Amrik Singh Dhillon
3. Sh. Arunesh Shakar
4. S. Dhanwant Singh
5. Bhaj Harnirpal Singh
6. S. Manjit Singh Calcutta
7. S. Manmohan Singh
8. S. Paramjit Singh
9. Sh. Romesh Chander Dogra
10. Sh. Sat Pal Gosain
11. S. Sital Singh
12. S. Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh
13. S. Vir Singh Lopoke

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Prof. Jagir Singh Bhullar as Chairman of the Committee.

\*Prof. Jagir Singh Bhullar, on having been appointed as Chief Parliamentary Secretary, w.e.f. 7th April, 2000, has ceased to be a Member of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 2000-2001 from that date under first proviso to Rule 180(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly).

In the vacancy thus caused, the Speaker, has nominated Sardar Makhan Singh M.L.A., on the 2nd May, 2000, under Rule 180(3) of the Rules ibid read with the authorisation given by the House to him vide motion adopted by the House in its sitting held on 30th March, 2000 (Afternoon Sitting) to serve on the said Committee for the remaining period of 2000-2001.

Under Rule 184/2 read with Rule 207 of the Rules ibid the Speaker has appointed Sardar Makhan Singh as Chairman of the Committee vide Notification No. 1-CPU-2000-2001/47, dated the 2nd May, 2000.

**IV. COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES,  
SCHEDULED TRIBES AND BACKWARD CLASSES FOR THE  
YEAR 2000-2001**

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 5th April, 2000 in pursu-  
ance of the motion passed by the House on 30th March, 2000 (A.S.)

1. Shri Chuni Lal Bhagat
2. Comrade Ajaib Singh Ramta
3. Sardar Bachan Singh Cheema
4. Sardar Balvir Singh Bhadaur
5. Sardar Balwant Singh
6. Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa
7. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu
8. Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana
9. Dr. Harbans Lal
10. Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan
11. Sardar Makhan Singh
12. Shri Ram Lal
13. Shri Shingara Ram Sahingra

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Shri Chuni Lal Bhagat as Chairman of the Committee.

**(ii) NOMINATED COMMITTEES**

**I. BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

(Nominated under rule 208(1))

1. Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal,  
Speaker, Ex-Officio Chairman
2. Shri Madan Mohan Mittal,  
(Minister for Parliamentary Affairs)
3. Capt. Kanwaljit Singh,  
(Minister for Finance)
4. Ch. Jagjit Singh,  
(MLA and Leader of Opposition)
5. Raja Narinder Singh,  
(Minister for Public Health)
6. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi  
(MLA)

**Special Invitees**

1. Sardar Sujan Singh,  
Minister of State for Rural Development & Panchayats.
2. Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa,  
(MLA)

## II. COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES FOR THE YEAR 2000-2001.

(Nominated under Rule 233)

1. Sardar Balbir Singh Bath
2. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar
3. Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa
4. Shri Chuni Lal
5. Sardar Gurcharan Singh Dirba
6. Bhai Harnirpal Singh
7. Sardar Jatinder Singh Kariha
8. Sardar Makhan Singh
9. Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta
10. Sardar Paramjit Singh
11. Dr. Ram Kumar Goel
12. Sardar Sadhu Singh Brar

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Sardar Balbir Singh Bath, as Chairman of the Committee.

## III. COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES FOR THE YEAR 2000-01

(Nominated under Rule 238)

1. Sardar Manmohan Singh
2. Jathedar Ajaypal Singh Mirankot
3. Shri Avtar Henry
4. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla
5. Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora
6. Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla
7. Shri Om Parkash Soni
8. Shri Satya Pal Saini
9. Sardar Sohan Singh Bodal
10. Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh
12. Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli
11. Sardar Ujagar Singh Rangretta
13. Sardar Vir Singh Lopoke

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Sardar Manmohan Singh as Chairman of the Committee.

#### IV. COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION FOR THE YEAR 2000-2001

(Nominated under Rule 240)

1. Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana
2. Sardar Amarjit Singh Samra
3. Shri Arunesh Kumar Shaker
4. Sardar Balbir Singh Nathana
5. Sardar Gardhara Singh
6. Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal
7. Shri Om Parkash Soni
8. Sadar Prem Singh Lalpura
9. Shri Rakesh Kumar Pandey
10. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi
11. Sardar Sadhu Singh Payal
12. Sardar Sohan Singh Bodal
13. Advocate-General, Punjab

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid* the Speaker has appointed Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana as Chairman of the Committee.

#### V. LIBRARY COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 2000-2001

(Nominated under Rule 248)

1. Com. Hardev Singh Arshi
2. S. Bachan Singh Cheema
3. S. Baldev Singh Khiala
4. S. Balwant Singh
5. Smt. Daljit Kaur
6. S. Gardip Singh Bhullar
7. S. Harmall Singh Tohra
8. S. Kanwaljit Singh Lally
9. Sh. Ram Lal

Under Rule 148(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Com. Hardev Singh Arshi as Chairman of the Committee.

# **VI. COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS FOR THE YEAR 2000-2001**

(Nominated under Rule 250)

1. Sardar Sital Singh
2. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria
3. Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira
4. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla
5. Shri Jagdish Sawhney
6. Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra
7. Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla
8. Ch. Nand Lal
9. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpara
10. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi
11. Shri Rakesh Pandey
12. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra
13. Sardar Tej Parkash Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Sardar Sital Singh as Chairman of the Committee.

# **VII. COMMITTEE ON PAPERS LAID/TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE FOR THE YEAR 2000-2001**

(Nominated under Rule 251-C)

1. Shri Sat Pal Gosain
2. Sardar Balbir Singh Bhadaur
3. Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala
4. Smt. Daljit Kaur
5. Sardar Kanwaljit Singh Lally
6. Sardar Malkiat Singh
7. Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal
8. Ch. Mohan Lal Behram
9. Ch. Nand Lal
10. Smt. Roop Rani

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed Shri Sat Pal Gosain as Chairman of the Committee.



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**During**  
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**2000**  
**With**  
**APPENDIX CONTAINING DAILY BULLETINS**  
**OF**  
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**PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT, CHANDIGARH**  
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## PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Tenth (10th) Session, 2000, held from 4th September, 2000 to 7th September, 2000, together with the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above-mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

CHANDIGARH

NACHHATTAR SINGH MAVI,

The 13th February, 2001

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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an Order of the Governor, dated the 8th August, 2000, to meet for its Tenth (10th) Session, 2000 in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhawan, Chandigarh, at 2.00 P.M. on the 4th September, 2000 and it continued to meet till the 7th September, 2000 when it adjourned sine-die. It was later prorogued by an Order of the Governor dated the 10th October, 2000.

During the Session, the Sabha held four sittings.

## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme observed
1	2
Monday, the 4th September, 2000 (2.00 P.M. to 3.19 P.M.)	Obituary references to the deaths of 1. Sh. Kumaramangalam, Union Minister. 2. Sh. Rajesh Pilot, Ex-Union Minister. 3. Sardar Dilbagh Singh Daleke, Ex-Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha. 4. Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, Ex-Minister. 5. Sh. Bhagwan Dass Arora, MLA 6. Sh. Partap Chand Bhandari, Ex-MLA. 7. Com. Darshan Singh Jhabal, Ex-MLA. 8. Dr. Usha Mehta, Freedom Fighter.

9. Sardar Tara Singh, Freedom Fighter.
10. Sardar Santokh Singh Kloti, Freedom Fighter.
11. Sardar Bakhtawar Singh, Freedom Fighter.
12. Pilgrims to Amarnath massacred at Pahalgam (J&K).

Tuesday, the 5th September,  
2000 (10.00 A.M. to 2.40 P.M.)

- (i) Presentation and adoption of First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

- (ii) Election of Deputy Speaker.

- (iii) The Punjab Social Security (Amendment) Bill, 2000.

(Passed)

- (iv) Resolution under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India regarding disapproval of the Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 2000.)

(Discussed together with the Bill on the Subject).

(Lost)

- (v) The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Bill, 2000.

(Passed)

- (vi) The Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2000.

(Passed)

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Wednesday, the 6th September,  
2000 (10.00 A.M. to 3.51 P.M.)

(i) Motion under Rule 77—

“That the day-by-day deterioration in the economic situation on Agriculture front in the State, be discussed.”

(Discussed)

(ii) Resolution under Article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India regarding disapproval of the Punjab Dairy Development Board Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 2000). (Discussed togetherwith the Bill on the subject).

(Lost)

(iii) The Punjab Dairy Development Board Bill, 2000.

(Passed)

Thursday, the 7th September,  
2000 (10.00 A.M. to 2.30 P.M.)

(i) Motion under Rule 16 regarding Adjournment of the Assembly Sine-die.

(Carried)

(ii) Non Official Resolution—

“This House strongly recommends to the State Government that the policy programme drafted by Shiromani Akali Dal at Sri Anandpur Sahib in 1973 with a view to establish a true federal polity in India, which was later adopted by Shiromani Akali Dal at its Conference held at Ludhiana in 1978 be presented to the Constitution Review Panel constituted by the Government of India.

(Talked out)

### 3. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other members on 4th September, 2000 :—

1. Shri Kumaramangalam, Union Minister.
2. Shri Rajesh Pilot, Ex-Union Minister,
3. Sardar Dilbagh Singh Daleke, Ex-Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
4. Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, Ex-Minister.
5. Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora, M.L.A.
6. Shri Partap Chand Bhandari, Ex-M.L.A.
7. Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal, Ex-M.L.A.
8. Dr. Usha Mehta, Freedom Fighter.
9. Sardar Tara Singh, Freedom Fighter.
10. Sardar Santokh Singh Kloti, Freedom Fighter.
11. Sardar Bakhtawar Singh, Freedom Fighter.
12. Pilgrims to Amarnath massacred at Pahalgam (J. & K.)

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the members in the House. All the members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memories of the deceased on the said occasion.

### 4. ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

The Vidhan Sabha elected Shri Satpal Gosain as Deputy Speaker on the 5th September, 2000.

### 5. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 12th August, 2000 the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) :—

1. Sardar Balbir Singh Bath
2. Sardar Dhanwant Singh Dhuri.
3. Shri Sat Pal Gosain.
4. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar.

### 6. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on the 5th and 6th September, 2000.

#### I. Official Bills

The Sabha passed four bills in all including one Principal Bill.  
(See Table).

#### II. Non-official Bill

Nil



TABLE

S. No	Title of the Bill	Minister Introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of Consideration	Number of Speeches						Time taken in minutes						Amendments Proposed						Amendments not moved/withdrawn/ held/out of order/Leave refused						Amendments carried						Total time taken in Minutes	Date of passing the Bill	Remarks
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1.	The Punjab Social Security (Amendment) Bill, 2000	Minister for Social Sec. & welfare of Women	5-9-2000	5-9-2000	3	1	1	—	—	—	24	12	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	44 minutes	5-9-2000	
2.	The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Bill, 2000	Minister for welfare of Defence Service	5-9-2000	5-9-2000	5	1	—	—	1	—	27	4	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	32 minutes	5-9-2000	
3.	The Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2000	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	5-9-2000	5-9-2000	1	—	1	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5 minutes	5-9-2000	
4.	The Punjab Dairy Development Board Bill, 2000	Minister for Dairy Development	6-9-2000	6-9-2000	2	1	1	—	1	—	11	3	10	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25 minutes	6-9-2000	

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## 7. Synopsis of Bills Passed by the Vidhan Sabha

1. The Punjab Social Security (Amendment) Bill, 2000.  
(Introduced and Passed on the 5th September, 2000)

This Bill replaces the Punjab Social Security (Amendment) Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 2000) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act so as to charge additional tax @ 10% on all the tax payable under the Punjab General Sales Tax Act, 1948.

2. The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 5th September, 2000).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 2000) which was promulgated to amend the Principal Act so as to bring uniformity that the landless Prisoners also be given six weeks temporary release twice a year as is given to the Prisoners who have their own agricultural land etc.

3. The Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2000.

(Introduced and passed on the 5th September, 2000).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act so as to insert of the Head of Account from which expenditure for providing facilities of car, Petrol and Driver is to be Provided to the Ex-Chief Minister, Punjab by the Transport Department.

4. The Punjab Dairy Development Board Bill, 2000,

(Introduced and passed on the 6th September, 2000).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Dairy Development Board Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 2000) which was promulgated to provide for the creation of Punjab Dairy Development Board for coordination between the organisations engaged in Dairy Sector to uplift professional standard of the Dairy Industry and to develop Modern dairy farming technology system and to levy cess on the milk plants by abolishing purchase tax on milk.

## 8. RESOLUTIONS

## (i) Official

Nil

## (ii) Non-Official

	Total	Treasury	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD	Independ-
		Banches				(M)	dents
1. Number of notices Received	11	9	—	1	—	1	—
2. Number of notices Admitted	11	9	—	1	—	1	4
3. Number of notices disallowed	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Number of Resolutions for Ballots	8	6	—	1	—	1	—
5. Total Number 10 of Resolutions which lapsed on prorogation							
6. Number of Ballots held	1						
7. Date on which business other than Government business was transacted	7-9-2000						
8. Date on which Ballot was held	6-9-2000						

On Thursday, the 7th September, 2000 Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, M.L.A. (SAD-M) moved the following Resolution :—

“This House strongly recommends to the State Government that the Policy programme drafted by Shiromani Akali Dal at Shri Anandpur Sahib in 1973 with a view to establish a true federal polity in India, which was later adopted by Shiromani Akali Dal at its Conference held at Ludhiana in 1978, be presented to the Constitution Review Panel constituted by the Government of India.

This Resolution was discussed in the House for 2 Hours and 25 Minutes. 4 Members from Treasury Benches and one each from S.A.D. (Mann), Indian National Congress and C.P.I. participated in the discussion and spoke for 1 Hour 2 minutes, 26 minutes, 39 minutes and 18 minutes respectively.

The Resolution was talked out.

#### 9. PAPERS LAID

By whom laid	Date on which laid	Subject
1	2	3
Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	5-9-2000	1. (i) The Punjab Good conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Ordinance, 2000. (Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 2000); (ii) The Punjab Social Security (Amendment) Ordinance, 2000. (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 2000); and (iii) The Punjab Dairy Development Board Ordinance, 2000. (Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 2000); as required under Article 213 (2) (a) of the Constitution of India.

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2. The Chit Funds (Punjab) Rules, 1999 as required under section 89 (3) of the Chit Funds Act, 1982.
  3. The 32nd Annual Report of the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1997-98, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
  4. The Audit Report on the Accounts of Punjab Labour Welfare Board for the years 1992-93 to 1996-97.
  5. The Audit observations on the utilization of the grants received by the Punjab Agricultural University Ludhiana during the period from 1st April 1997 to 31st March, 1998 along with Government's comments, as required under section 34(5) of the Haryana and Punjab Agricultural Universities Act, 1970
  6. The 1st Annual Report of the Punjab State Container & Warehousing Corporation Ltd. for the year 1995-96 (24th July, 1995 to 31st March, 1996), as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
  7. The 20th Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. for the year 1993-94 as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
  8. The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1998-99, alongwith
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statement showing the Objects and Reasons for laying the said statement as required under section 69(5) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.

9. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Small Industries and Export Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97, alongwith statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the reports for the years 1997-98 and 1998-99, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
10. The 16th Annual Report of the Goindwal Industrial and Investment Corporation of Punjab Ltd. for the year 1996-97, alongwith statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the reports for the year 1997-98 and 1998-99, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
11. The Annual Administrative report of the Punjab State Electricity Board Patiala for the year 1997-98, as required under section 75 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
12. The 28th Annual Report of the Punjab State Warehousing Corporation for the year 1994-95, as required under section 31 (11) of the Warehousing Corporation Act, 1962.
13. The 23rd Annual Report of the Punjab State Electronics Development and Production Corporation Ltd. for the year 1998-99, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

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14. The Annual Reports of the Punjab Public Service Commission for the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, along with explanatory memorandums, as required under Article 323 (2) of the Constitution of India.
  15. The 21st Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. for the year 1994-95 as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
  16. The Balance Sheet of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the year 1995-96, as required under section 27 (5) of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1970.
  17. The 33rd Annual Report of the Punjab Poultry Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
  18. Notification No. S.O. 79/ P.A. 46/48/ S/30/99, dated 17th November, 1999.
  19. The Annual Reports and Accounts of the Punjab Dairy Development Corporation Ltd. for the years ending 31st March, 1996 to 31st March, 1999 as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
  20. The Third and Fourth reports of the
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National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the years 1994-95 to 1997-98 (Volume-II).

21. The 28th Annual Report of the Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Ltd. for the year 1992-93, as required under section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

22. (i) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1998-99 (Civil)-Government of Punjab.

(ii) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1998-99 (Commercial)-Government of Punjab; and

(iii) Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1998-99 (Revenue Receipts)-Government of Punjab,

as required under Article 151(2) of the Constitution of India.

#### 10. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
1	2	3
<b>Business Advisory Committee</b>		
Speaker	5-9-2000	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

### 11. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Notices of two Adjournment Motions were received from different Members. None of these was admitted. However, out of these, one was mentioned in the House, the detail of which is as under —

Sr. No.	Date of the Motion.	Date when taken up/ mentioned in the House.	Member (s) giving notice	Subject	Decision
1	4-9-2000	5-9-2000	Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal, Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra and Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, SAD.	Regarding failure of the Govern- ment Agencies to lift the paddy lying in Mandis.	Disallowed.

### 12. QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE

Notice of one Privilege Motion was received, which lapsed on prorogation of the House.

## 13. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject	Decision
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	5-9-2000	5-9-2000	Adoption of recommendations contained in the First report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried.
2.	--do--	7-9-2000	7-9-2000	Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the House sine-die.	Carried

## 14. MOTION UNDER RULE 77

Only one Notice of Motion under Rule 77 was received, which was admitted. The detail of the same is as under : —

Sr. No.	Member (s) giving Notice	Notice received on	Discussed on	Subject matter
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, C.P.I.	17-08-2000	06-09-2000	The day-by-day deterioration in the economic situation on agriculture front in the State.

# 15. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 66

In all 19 notices calling attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these 14 were admitted. But four admitted notices could not be taken up in the House because of paucity of time. The detail of admitted notices which were taken up in the House is given below :—

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member (s) Calling Attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1.	1	S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	5-9-2000	Reg. discontentment amongst the farmers due to non-purchasing of Satha kind of paddy by any of Government agencies.	The Minister for Food & Supplies made a statement in this behalf
2.	2	S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	5-9-2000	Reg. fast rising cases of H.I.V. in the State due to non-utilization of donations sent by various voluntary organisations from abroad for combating this menace.	The Minister for Health & Family Welfare made a statement in this behalf.

3.	6	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla	5-9-2000	Reg. discontentment amongst the students aspirant to undergo training due to winding up of stenography courses in English, Punjabi and Hindi in Amritsar.	The Minister for Technical Education & Industrial Training made a statement in this behalf.
4.	3	S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	6-9-2000	Reg. resentment amongst the people especially agriculturists in the State due to imposition of 4% Cess/ Tax on the purchase of wheat by various private agencies.	The Minister for Excise & Taxation made a statement in this behalf.
5.	4 & 13	(i) S. Ajit Inder Singh Mofar. (ii) S. Jagtar Singh Rajla.	6-9-2000	Reg. heavy losses caused to the standing crops due to floods in Ghaggar River in the Districts of Patiala & Sangrur.	The Minister for Revenue and Rehabilitation made a statement in this behalf.
6.	8	Com. Hardev Singh Arshi.	6-9-2000	Reg. undeclared, long and frequent power cuts in the rural areas of sub-Division Budhlada of District Mansa.	The Minister for Power made a statement in this behalf.

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7.	10	S. Jagtar Singh Rajla.	7-9-2000	<p>Reg. charging of registration fee from the buyers of agriculture land by computing the cost of land as Rupees two lakhs per acre despite the fact that at many places the cost of land is less than Rupees two lakhs.</p>	<p>The Minister for Revenue &amp; Rehabilitation made a statement in this behalf.</p>
8.	11	S. Jagtar Singh Rajla.	7-9-2000	<p>Reg. discontentment prevailing amongst the farmers, godown owners &amp; traders on account of non-lifting of paddy stocks of yester-year from the godowns by the Government agencies.</p>	<p>The Minister for Food &amp; Supplies made a statement in this behalf,</p>

9.	16	S. Avtar Singh Brar (Moved by Sh. Romesh Chander Dogra).	7-9-2000	Reg. decrease in the sale of fertilizers and insecticides through the Primary Agricultural Societies in the State due to the supply of these items only through Markfed.	The Minister for Coop- eration made a state- ment in this behalf.
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#### 16. STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

The Chief Minister/Ministers made a total numbers of nine statements. All of them were made in  
reply to Call Attention Notices.





# 17. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

Treasury Benches		Members of I.N.C.	Members of C.P.I.	Member of B.S.P.	Member of SAD (M)	Independents	Treasury Benches		Members of I.N.C.	Members of C.P.I.	Member of B.S.P.	Member of SAD (M)	Independents
Members excluding Ministers	Ministers						Members excluding Ministers	Ministers					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
							H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.
14	11	7	6	1	5	1	2.20	2.10	1.47	1.29	0.02	0.40	0.07
							per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent
31.11	24.45	15.56	13.33	2.22	11.11	2.22							
per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent							

Notes :—(1) Observations/Statements/Rulings etc. by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above Statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the Statement.

(3) Time taken on Adjournment Motions, Call Attention Notices, Points of Order, Motion in respect of Legislation, Presentation of Reports etc' is also excluded from the Statement.



## 18. FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1. Total No. of sittings of the Sabha	= 4
2. Total No. of Notices of Questions received—	
—Starred	= 101
—Unstarred	= 17
—Short Notice	= —
3. Total No. of sittings at which Questions were not taken up.	= 1
4. Total No. of Members from whom notices were received.	= 22
5. Total No. of Questions placed on Order Paper	
—Starred	= 58
—Unstarred	= 13
—Short Notice	= —
6. Total No. of Starred Questions to which oral answers were given	* = 32
7. Total No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions	= 7
8. Total No. of Unstarred Questions replied to	= 8
9. Total No. of Starred Questions postponed	= 9
10. Largest No. of Questions addressed to any one Minister(Chief Minister on 5-9-2000)	= 6
11. Largest No. of Questions orally answered by any one Minister (Chief Minister on 7-9-2000)	= 2

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\*These Questions include two Starred Questions entered in the list of Postponed Starred Questions dated 6-9-2000.

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## 19. QUESTIONS

Statement										
Type of Questions	No. of Notices received	No. of admitted Questions	No. of disallowed/ referred back Questions	No. of Postponed Questions	No. of Question Not-put	No. of Questions answered	No. of Starred Questions converted as Unstarred Questions on prorogation	No. of Questions deemed to have been answered under Rule 38	No. of Questions withdrawn	No. of Supple-mentaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Starred	101	78	21	9	1	30	7	18	—	107
Unstarred	17	*13	6	5	—	8	—	—	—	—
Short Notice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

\*Two Questions given notice of as Starred Questions were admitted as Unstarred Questions.



20. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS ANSWERED,  
DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD (M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
5-9-2000	5	2	—	2	2	—	—	11
6-9-2000	2	—	1	2	—	—	—	5
7-9-2000	9	—	2	3	—	—	—	14
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21. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE  
BEEN ANSWERED UNDER RULE 38, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE.

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD (M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
5-9-2000	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	5
6-9-2000	6	—	5	—	—	—	—	11
7-9-2000	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
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22. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS IN THE NAMES OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS DATE-WISE.

Date	Chief Minister	Local Government Minister	Cooperation Minister	Agriculture Minister	Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister	Finance and Planning Minister	Housing & Urban Development Minister	Rural Development and Panchayats Minister	Higher Education Minister	Transport Minister	Animal Husbandry Minister	Welfare of SC/BC'S Minister	Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister	Revenue & Rehabilitation Minister	P.W.D. (B&R) Minister	Health & Family Welfare Minister	Excise & Taxation Minister	Irrigation Minister	Power Minister	Defence Services and Welfare Minister	Printing & Stationery, Youth Services and Removal of Grievances & Pensions Minister	Forest Minister	Technical Education & Industrial Training Minister
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
5-9-2000	6	—	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	1	—	2	1	5	—	1	1
6-9-2000	2	—	1	1	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	2	3	1	1	1	—	1	—	1
7-9-2000	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	3	3	1	—	—	—

22. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS IN THE NAMES OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS DATE-WISE.

Chief Minister	Local Government Minister	Cooperation Minister	Agriculture Minister	Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister	Finance and Planning Minister	Housing & Urban Development Minister	Rural Development and Panchayats Minister	Higher Education Minister	Transport Minister	Animal Husbandry Minister	Welfare of SC/BC'S Minister	Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister	Revenue & Rehabilitation Minister	P.W.D. (B&R) Minister	Health & Family Welfare Minister	Excise & Taxation Minister	Irrigation Minister	Power Minister	Defence Services Welfare and Jails Minister	Printing & Stationery, Youth Services and Removal of Grievances Minister	Forest Minister	Technical Education & Industrial Training Minister	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
6	—	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	1	—	2	1	5	—	1	1	20
2	—	1	1	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	2	3	1	1	1	—	1	—	1	20
3	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	3	3	1	—	—	—	18
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23. STATEMENT REGARDING STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED FROM SOME OF THE QUESTIONS (AT Sr. No. 22) WHICH WERE INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF POSTPONED STARRED QUESTIONS

Date	Power Minister	Forest Minister	Total
6-9-2000	1	1	2

24. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD(M)	BSP	INDEPENDENT	TOTAL
5-9-2000	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	3
6-9-2000	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
7-9-2000	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	2
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## 25. WALK-OUTS

Sr. No.	Date	Member (s) walking-out	Occasion
1.	5th September, 2000	All the Members of the Congress Party and CPI, present in the House, and Shri Shingara Ram Sahungara, BSP.	As a protest against not having been given a satisfactory reply by the Government regarding non-purchase of paddy by the Government agencies resulting in its getting spoiled in the Mandi's.
2.	6th September, 2000	All the Members of the Congress Party and CPI, present in the House.	As a protest against there being no forum to express the excesses being perpetrated on the farmers by the Government.
3.	6th September, 2000	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa and Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu, SAD.	As a protest against not being allowed by the Chair to speak.

4. 7th September, 2000.

All the Members, of the Congress Party,  
present in the House.

As a protest against a statement not being made by the Government on a demand raised by Chaudhary Jagjit Singh regarding deteriorating law and order situation in Punjab.

5. 7th September, 2000.

All the Members of the Congress Party,  
present in the House.

As a protest against moving of the Resolution by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, SAD (Mann) regarding recommendation to the State Government to present the 1973 Anandpur Sahib Resolution before the Constitution Review Panel.

## 26. DHARNAS

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) sitting in Dharna	Occasion
1	2	3	4
1.	5th September, 2000.	All the Members of the Congress Party and CPI, present in the House, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungara BSP, Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, SAD, (Mann), Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Baldev Singh Khjala, SAD and Sardar Mantar Singh Brar, Independent.	As a protest against non-purchasing and lack of any storage arrangements for the entire quantity of paddy which was getting spoiled.
2.	6th September, 2000.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungara, BSP.	As a protest against the fact that no action was being taken by the Government in the cases of murders and rapes of Dalits.
3.	6th September, 2000.	Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Baldev Singh Khjala, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla and Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli, SAD.	As a protest against not being allowed to speak during the Zero Hour.

## 27. UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Sr. No.	Expression	Date
1	2	3
1.	ਮੀਂਗਣਾਂ ਪਾ ਕੇ ਦੁੱਧ ਦੇਣ ਦਾ ਕੀ ਫਾਇਦਾ	(When used with reference to Hon. Speaker.) 5-9-2000
2.	ਮਰਾਸੀ	(When used with reference to Chief Minister.) 5-9-2000
3.	ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦਾ ਦੀਵਾ ਗੁੱਲ ਹੋ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ।	(When referred to the August House.) 6-9-2000
4.	ਪੰਜਾਬ ਵਿੱਚ ਜੰਗਲ ਰਾਜ ਹੈ।	(When referred to the August House.) 7-9-2000
5.	ਬਾਅਦ ਵਿੱਚ ਇਹੀ ਜਿਉਂਦੀਆਂ ਲਾਸ਼ਾਂ ਦਿੱਲੀ ਤੇ ਰਾਜ ਕਰਦੀਆਂ ਰਹੀਆਂ।	(When referred to the August House.) 7-9-2000
6.	ਫਰਾਡ	(When referred to the August House.) 7-9-2000

## 28. OBSERVATION MADE BY THE SPEAKER

Observation made by the Chair on 7th September, 2000 regarding non-receipt of replies to Questions and Call Attention Notices in time.

The Hon'ble Speaker observed that though Questions were sent to the departments concerned two-three months in advance but the replies are received very late. For instance, reply to a Question fixed for the next day was received only at 11.40 P.M. last night. In this way, neither the Ministers can prepare themselves mentally and properly for giving the replies nor the Members who have to make supplementaries to put their points of view can do so effectively. For the facility of the Ministers and the Members, the replies should be sent to them two days in advance. At least the Ministers should ensure it that the replies to Questions reach them as also Members one day in advance positively.

Likewise, replies to the Call Attention Notices, which necessarily should reach the Member concerned one day in advance should reach the Sabha Secretariat one day in advance. This must be ensured under all circumstances.

## 29. BULLETINS PERTAINING TO TENTH (10th) SESSION, 2000.

## APPENDIX

(Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha held during its Tenth (10th) Session, 2000).

## BULLETIN NO. 1

*Monday, the 4th September, 2000*

(2.00 P.M. to 3.19 P.M.)

## 1. OBITUARY REFERENCES

Honourable Chief Minister made reference to the deaths of :—

1. Shri Kumaramangalam, Union Minister
2. Shri Rajesh Pilot, Ex-Union Minister
3. Sardar Dilbagh Singh Daleke, Ex-Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
4. Sardar Jasdev Singh Sandhu, Ex-Minister.
5. Shri Bhagwan Dass Arora, M.L.A.
6. Shri Partap Chand Bhandari, Ex-M.L.A.
7. Comrade Darshan Singh Jhabal, Ex-M.L.A.
8. Dr. Usha Mehta, Freedom Fighter
9. Sardar Tara Singh, Freedom Fighter
10. Sardar Santokh Singh Kloti, Freedom Fighter
11. Sardar Bakhtawar Singh, Freedom Fighter
12. Pilgrims to Amarnath massacred at Pahalgam (J & K)

While eulogising the contributions made by them in their respective fields, he expressed deep anguish and grief on the demise of the said personalities.

He also urged that messages of condolence may be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased.

While doing so, he spoke for 16 minutes.



Thereafter, the following Honourable Members, while paying their tributes to the departed souls, spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (I.N.C.)	19 minutes
2.	Hon. Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment (Shri Balramji Dass Tandon)	09 „
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (C.P.I.)	16 „
4.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (S.A.D. Mann)	10 „
5.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	07 „

The Honourable Speaker, while associating himself with the sentiments expressed by the Honourable Members, paid his tributes to the departed souls and stated that as per the desire of the House, copies of the Condolence Messages will be sent to the bereaved families

Thereafter, the Honourable Members stood in silence for two minutes for the peace of the departed souls.

The House, then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 5th September, 2000, without transacting any other business.

#### BULLETIN NO. 2

*Tuesday, the 5th September, 2000*

(From 10.00 A.M. to 2.40 P.M.)

#### I. Questions .

(a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	11	1	1	34

The remaining Question on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and

**Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha** (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*). It was also decided that Supplementary Questions pertaining to Starred Questions No. 2131 and 2127 will be asked in the sitting to be held on the 6th September, 2000.

Starred Questions No. 2108 and 2142 were postponed for the sitting to be held on the 6th September, 2000.

(b) Unstarred : 9

## **II. Announcement by the Hon. Speaker** **Panel of Chairmen**

The following Members were nominated by the Honourable Speaker under Rule 13(1) of the **Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha** (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*) to serve on the Panel of Chairmen :—

1. Capt. Balbir Singh Bath
2. Sardar Dhanwant Singh Dhuri
3. Shri Sat Pal Gosain
4. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar

## **III. Announcement by the Secretary**

The Secretary made the following announcement :—

"I place on the Table of the House a statement showing the Bills passed by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its ninth Session, and which have since been assented to by the Governor."

## **IV. Dharna**

All the Members of the Congress Party, Members of the Communist Party of India, present in the House, the Member of the B.S.P., Shri Shingara Ram Sahungara, the Member of the Shiromani Akali Dal-Mann, Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar and Members of Shiromani Akali Dal, Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajalwadi, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Baldev Singh Khjala and an independent Member Sardar Mantar Singh Brar, came into the Well of the House twice and staged a Dharna as a protest against non-purchasing and lack of any storage arrangements for the entire quantity of paddy which is getting spoiled.

## V. Adjournment of the House

The House was adjourned to reassemble after 10 minutes (from 11.16 A.M. to 11.26 A.M.).

## VI. Walk-out

All the Members of the Congress Party, Members of the Communist Party of India present in the House, and Member of Bahujan Samaj Party, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, staged a walk-out from the House as a protest against not having been given a satisfactory reply by the government regarding non-purchase of paddy by the Government agencies resulting in its getting spoiled in the Mandis.

## VII. Call Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 1) given by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, M.L.A., regarding discontentment amongst the farmers due to non-purchasing of Satha kind of paddy by any of the Government agencies resulting in low price of the paddy, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies made a statement in this behalf.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 2) given by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, M.L.A., regarding fast rising cases of H.I.V. in the State due to non-utilization of donations sent by various voluntary organisations from abroad for combating this menace, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Health and Family Welfare made a statement in this behalf.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 6) given by Shrimati Luxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A., regarding discontentment amongst the students aspiring to undergo training due to winding-up of Stenography courses in English, Punjabi and Hindi, in Amritsar by the Technical Education Department from the next Session, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Technical Education and Industrial Training made a statement in this behalf.

## VIII. First report of the Business Advisory Committee

The Hon. Speaker presented the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee before the House regarding the programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from the 5th September, 2000 to 7th September, 2000.

The following Motion was moved by the Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs :—

“That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.”

Some of the Hon. Members desired that the time allocated for discussion on the Motion under Rule 77 should be increased from one-and-a-half hour to two hours. This was agreed to with the consensus of the House, and the motion was carried unanimously, with this slight change.

#### IX. Election of the Deputy Speaker

The Hon. Chief Minister moved that Shri Sat Pal Gosain, a Member of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha, present in the House, be elected as the Deputy Speaker of the House.

The Motion was seconded by Shri Balramji Dass Tandon, Minister for Local Government and Labour and Employment.

As the name of no other Hon. Member had been proposed, therefore, the Hon. Speaker declared Shri Sat Pal Gosain elected unanimously as the Deputy Speaker of the House.

The Hon. Chief Minister congratulated Shri Sat Pal Gosain on his having been elected unanimously as the Deputy Speaker of the House, and while doing so, he spoke for 3 minutes.

The other Hon. Members who gave congratulatory speeches on the unanimous election of Shri Sat Pal Gosain as the Deputy Speaker, are as follows :

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	10 Minutes
2.	Shri Balramji Dass Tandon ( <i>Hon. Minister, Local Government and Labour and Employment</i> )	03 Minutes
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Aishi ( <i>Communist Party of India</i> )	04 Minutes
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahngra ( <i>Bahujan Samaj Party</i> )	02 Minutes
5.	Sardar AjitINDER Singh Mofar ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal —Mann</i> )	02 Minutes

Shri Sat Pal Gosain thanked all the Hon. Members for having elected him as the Deputy Speaker. He assured that he would keep in view the feelings of all the Members belonging to all the Parties in the House, and that he would transact the business of the House in an impartial manner.

#### X. Papers Laid on the Table

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table of the House the Papers enlisted at Serial No. 1 to 22 in the List of Business for the 5th September, 2000.

#### XI. Legislative Business and Resolutions under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution of India

##### 1. The Punjab Social Security (Amendment) Bill, 2000 (Replacing Ordinance): Bill No. 19-PLA of 2000

The Honourable Minister for Social Security and Welfare of Women and Children introduced The Punjab Social Security (Amendment) Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Hon. Members participated in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Doctor Harbans Lal ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	12 Minutes
2.	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	07 Minutes
3.	Shrimati Luxmi Kanta Chawla ( <i>Bharatiya Janata Party</i> )	07 Minutes
4.	Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta ( <i>Communist Party of India</i> )	08 Minutes

The Honourable Minister for Social Security and Welfare of Women and Children, by way of reply, spoke for 7 Minutes.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause(2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 3**

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause(1) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause(1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Honourable Minister for Social Security and Welfare of Women and Children moved that **The Punjab Social Security (Amendment) Bill** be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**2. The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 2000)**

and

**The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Bill, 2000 (Replacing Ordinance) : Bill No. 20-PLA of 2000**

The Motion regarding disapproval of **The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 2000)** moved by the Hon. Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta was deemed to have been read and moved.

The Honourable Minister for Welfare of Defence Services introduced **The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Bill** and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

It was decided, with the consent of the House, that the motion regarding disapproval of **The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Ordinance** moved by the

Hon. Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta and Motion on **The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Bill** be discussed together and the Motions be put to the vote of the House separately.

The following Hon. Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each.

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Shrimati Luxmi Kanta Chawla ( <i>Bharatiya Janata Party</i> )	05 Minutes
2.	Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	10 Minutes
3.	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	06 Minutes
4.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	04 Minutes
5.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal-Mann</i> )	01 Minute
6.	Sardar Hira Singh Gabria ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	01 Minute

The Honourable Minister for Welfare of Defence Services, by way of reply, spoke for 3 minutes.

The Motion regarding disapproval of **The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Ordinance** moved by Hon. Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The motion that **The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Bill** be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 3**

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Honourable Minister for Welfare of Defence Services moved that **The Punjab Good Conduct Prisoners (Temporary Release) Amendment Bill** be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**3. The Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2000 : Bill No. 22-PLA of 2000**

The Honourable Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs introduced **The Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) Amendment Bill** and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

**Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1**

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause 2**

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1**

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.



The Honourable Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved that **The Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension and Medical Facilities Regulation) Amendment Bill** be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## XII. Points of Order

The Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Honourable Members were declared as 'No Points of Order' :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Number of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order'
1.	Sardar Hira Singh Gabria	.. 1
2.	Sardar MaheshINDER Singh Grewal	. 1
3.	Shrimati Luxmi Kanta Chawla	.. 1
4.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney	.. 1
5.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	. 1

## XIII. Extension of Time of the Sitting

The time of the sitting, with the consent of the House, was extended till the Business of the House was over.

*(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 1.16.P.M. to 1.18 P.M.)*

The House then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 6th September, 2000.

## BULLETIN No. 3

*Wednesday, the 6th September, 2000*

*(From 10.00 A.M. to 3.51 P.M.)*

### I. Questions:

(a) At the outset, as per the decision taken on the 5th September, 2000, Starred Questions No. 2131 and 2127 were taken up on which 9 supplementaries were put.

(b) **Postponed Starred Questions** : Starred Questions No. 2142 and 2108, postponed from the List of Questions for the 5th September, 2000 were taken up on which 7 supplementaries were put.

Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

(c) Starred:

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplement- aries
20	5	—	3	16

The remaining Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the **Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha** (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*).

(d) Unstarred: 3

## II. Walk out

All the Hon. Members of the Congress Party and C. P. I., present in the House, staged a Walk-out from the House in protest against there being no forum to express the excesses being perpetrated on the farmers by the Government.

## III. Dharna

1. The Hon. Member of the Bahujan Samaj Party, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, sat on Dharna in the Well of the House as a protest against the fact that no action was being taken by the Government in the cases of murders and rapes of *Dalits*.

2. The Hon. Members of Shiromani Akali Dal, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Baldev Singh Khtala, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla and Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli sat on a Dharna in the Well of the House in protest against not being allowed to speak during the 'Zero Hour'.

#### IV. Adjournment of the House

The House was adjourned for 13 minutes (from 11.47 A. M. to 12.00 Noon) to re-assemble.

#### V. Walk-out

On not being allowed by the Chair to speak, the Hon. Members of Shiromani Akali Dal, Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa, Sardar Gardev Singh Sidhu and Bibi Daljit Kaur, staged a walk-out from the House, as a protest. But Bibi Daljit Kaur, while staging a walk-out from the House, changed her mind midway, and did not go out of the House.

#### V. Call Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No.3) given by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, M.L.A. regarding resentment amongst the people especially agriculturists in the State due to imposition of 4% Cess/Tax on the purchase of wheat by various private agencies, resulting in purchase of wheat by the private agencies from other tax-free States, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Excise and Taxation made a statement in this behalf.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 4 and 13) given by Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, M.L.A. and Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla M.L.A. regarding heavy losses caused to the standing crops due to floods in Ghaggar River in the Districts of Patiala and Sangrur, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Revenue and Rehabilitation made a statement in this behalf.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 8) given by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. regarding undeclared, long and frequent power-cuts in the rural areas of Sub-Division Budhlada of District Mansa, resulting in inconvenience to the people, and especially the children during the summer season, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Power made a statement in this behalf,

## VI. Motion under Rule 77

The following Motion was moved by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. :—

“The day-by-day deterioration in the economic situation on agriculture front in the State, be discussed”.

While moving the Motion, he spoke for 33 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Hon. Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	20 Minutes
2.	Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	16 Minutes
3.	Sardar Makhan Singh ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	17 Minutes
4.	Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	09 Minutes
5.	Shri Satya Pal Saini ( <i>Bharatiya Janata Party</i> )	09 Minutes
6.	Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	10 Minutes
7.	Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	13 Minutes

The Honourable Chief Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 52 minutes.

## VII. Legislative Business and Resolutions Under Article

213(2)(a) of the Constitution of India

1. The Punjab Dairy Development Board Ordinance, 2000  
(Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 2000)

and

The Punjab Dairy Development Board Bill, 2000  
(Replacing Ordinance) Bill No. 21-PLA of 2000

The Motion of Resolution disapproving The Punjab Dairy Development Board Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 2000) given notice of by the Hon. Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, was deemed to have been read and moved.

The Honourable Dairy Development Minister introduced The Punjab Dairy Development Board Bill, 2000 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

It was decided, with the consent of the House, that the Motion of Resolution disapproving The Punjab Dairy Development Board Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 2000), given notice of by the Hon. Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta and the Motion regarding The Punjab Dairy Development Board Bill, 2000 be discussed together and the Motions be put to the vote of the House separately.

The following Hon. Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	10 Minutes
2.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	03 Minutes
3.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal-Mann)	01 Minute
4.	Shrimati Luxmi Kanta Chawla (Bharatiya Janata Party)	04 Minutes

The Honourable Minister for Animal Husbandry and Dairy Development, by way of reply, spoke for 5 minutes.

The Motion of Resolution disapproving The Punjab Dairy Development Board Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 2000) given notice of by Hon. Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The Motion that The Punjab Dairy Development Board Bill, 2000 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Bill was then considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 to 20

As there were no amendments to Clauses 2 to 20, these were, with the consent of the House, put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Honourable Minister for Animal Husbandry and Dairy Development moved that The Punjab Dairy Development Board Bill, 2000 be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### VIII. Points of Order

The Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Members were declared as 'No Points of Order' :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Number of Points of order declared as 'No Points of Order'
1	2	3
1.	Sardar Makhan Singh	1
2.	Sardar Ravi Inder Singh	1
3.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	1

### IX. Extension of the time of the sitting

The Hon. Speaker, with the consent of the House, extended the time of the sitting of the House till the Business of the House was over.

*(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 12.52 P. M. to 2.15 P. M.)*

The House then adjourned till 10.00 A. M. on Thursday, the 7th September, 2000.

### BULLETIN NO. 4

*Thursday, the 7th September, 2000*

*(From 10.00 A. M. to 2.30 P. M.)*

#### I. Questions

(a) Starred: .

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
18	16.	—	2	41

The remaining Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the **Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha** (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*).

(b) Unstarred: 1.

#### II. Walk out

On a demand raised by Hon. Member Chaudhary Jagjit Singh seeking a statement from the Government regarding deteriorating law and order situation in Punjab, (*which was not forthcoming*), all the Hon. Members of the Congress Party, present in the House, staged a walk-out from the House.

#### III. Call Attention Notices

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 10) given by Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, M. L. A. regarding charging of registration fee from

the buyers of agriculture land by computing the cost of land as Rupees two lakhs per acre, despite the fact that at many places the cost of land is less than Rupees two lakhs, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Revenue and Rehabilitation made a statement in this behalf.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 11) given by Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, M. L. A. regarding discontentment prevailing amongst the farmers, godown-owners and traders on account of non-lifting of the paddy stocks of yester-year from the godowns by the Government agencies in the State, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs made a statement in this behalf.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 16) given by Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, M.L.A. (*which was read out by Shri Romesh Chander Dogra due to the absence of the Member concerned from the House*) regarding decrease in the sale of fertilizers and insecticides through the Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies in the State due to the supply of these items only through Markfed, was admitted.

The Hon. Minister for Cooperation made a statement in this behalf.

#### IV. Observation by the Hon. Speaker

The Hon. Speaker observed that as the replies to Questions and Call Attention Notices are not received in time the Hon. Ministers and the Hon. Members do not get full justice in this behalf. Therefore, it should be ensured in future that the replies to the Questions are delivered one or two days in advance and the replies to Call Attention Notices are delivered at least one day in advance in the Vidhan Sabha Secretariat/to the Hon. Member concerned, so that they (Hon. Members concerned) may be able to prepare themselves in a proper manner.

#### V. Motion under Rule 16

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that "The Vidhan Sabha, at its rising this day shall stand adjourned *sine-die*"

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.



## VI. Resolution

Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar, M. L. A. moved the following Resolution :—

“This House strongly recommends the State Government that the policy programme drafted by Shiromani Akali Dal at Sri Anandpur Sahib in 1973 with a view to establish a true federal polity in India, which was later adopted by Shiromani Akali Dal at its Conference held at Ludhlana in 1978, be presented to the Constitution Review Panel constituted by the Government of India.”

While moving the Resolution, he spoke for 26 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Hon. Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. Name of the Hon. No. Member		Time
1	2	3
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh ( <i>Indian National Congress</i> )	39 Minutes
2.	Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta ( <i>Shiromani Akali Dal</i> )	30 Minutes
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi ( <i>Communist Party of India</i> )	18 Minutes
4.	Hon. Minister for Higher Secondary & Primary Education ( <i>Jatledar Tota Singh</i> )	11 Minutes
5.	Hon. Minister for Higher Education ( <i>Master Mohan Lal</i> )	10 Minutes
6.	Hon. Minister for Agriculture ( <i>Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal</i> )	11 Minutes

The Honourable Minister for Agriculture (Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal), was still on his legs, when the House was adjourned *sine die*.

## VII. Walkout

All the Hon. Members of the Congress Party, present in the House, staged a walk-out from the House as a protest against the moving of the said Resolution.

### VIII. Announcement by the Hon. Speaker Regarding constitution of a Committee of the House.

In view of the observation by Hon. Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi in respect of Starred Question No. 2154 that misappropriation of funds involving crores of rupees has taken place in the matter of digging and desilting of drains in District Mansa, the Hon. Speaker decided to constitute a Committee of the House for conducting an inquiry into the matter.

### IX. Intimation by the Hon. Speaker to the House.

The Hon. Speaker was pleased to intimate the House that the Hon. Speaker of the neighbouring State of Haryana, Shri Satbir Singh Kadian, was present in the House to watch the proceedings of the House.

### X. Points of Order

The Points of Order sought to be raised by the following Honourable Members were declared as 'No Points of Order' :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Number of Points of Order declared as 'No Points of Order'
1	2	3
1.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar	.. 1
2.	Hon. Minister for Medical Education (Shri Manoranjan Kalja)	.. 1
3.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh	.. 1
4.	Hon. Minister for Co-operation (Sardar Ranjit Singh Brahmpura)	.. 3
5.	Hon. Minister for Higher Secondary & Primary Education (Jathedar Tota Singh)	.. 2
6.	Hon. Minister for Public Health & Civil Aviation (Raja Narinder Singh)	.. 1
7.	Shri Satya Pal Saini	.. 1

(The Hon. Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 12.10 P.M. to 1.08 P.M. and again from 1.20 P.M. to 1.27 P. M.)

The House then adjourned *sine-die*.

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**PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT, CHANDIGARH  
24TH AUGUST, 2001**



**PREFACE**

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Budget (Eleventh) Session, 2001 held from 1st March, 2001 to 27th March, 2001 togetherwith the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

CHANDIGARH :

The 24th August, 2001

NACHHATTAR SINGH MAVI,

Secretary.



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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTING AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an order of the Governor, dated the 1st February, 2001, to meet for its Budget (11th) Session in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, at 2.30 P.M. on the 1st March, 2001 and it continued to meet till the 27th March, 2001 when it adjourned *sine-die*. It was later prorogued by an order of the Governor dated the 18th April, 2001.

During the Session, the Sabha held 12 sittings.

## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme observed
Thursday, the 1st March, 2001 (2.30 P.M.)	Governor's Address to the Members of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
Friday, the 2nd March, 2001 (9.00 A.M. to 11.05 A.M.)	<p>(i) Oath of office by Sardar Raj Mohinder Singh declared elected in the Bye-Election from 13-Majitha Assembly Constituency.</p> <p>(ii) Obituary references to the deaths of :--</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Shri Inderjit Gupta, Ex-Union Minister.</li> <li>2. Shri V.N. Gadgil, Ex-Union Minister.</li> <li>3. Shri Dharamvir, Ex-Governor, Punjab, West Bengal and Karnataka.</li> <li>4. Sardar Parkash Singh Majitha, Minister.</li> <li>5. Sardar Prem Singh Prem, Ex-Minister.</li> <li>6. Sardar Manjit Singh Bhattal, Ex-MLA.</li> <li>7. Shri Jagjit Singh Ticksa, Ex.MLA.</li> <li>8. Sardar Balbir Singh Pannu, Senior Vice-President Shiromani Gurudwara Parbandhak Committee.</li> <li>9. Sardar Ishar Singh Sodhi, Freedom-Fighter.</li> <li>10. Smt. Vijay Raje Scindia, Rajmata.</li> <li>11. Victims of Earth Quake tragedy in Gujarat.</li> <li>12. Sikhs killed in the firing incident in Srinagar.</li> </ol>
Saturday, the 3rd March, 2001	} Holidays
Sunday, the 4th March, 2001	
Monday, the 5th March, 2001 (2.00 P.M. to 4.13 P.M.)	(i) Presentation and adoption of First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.



Date	Programme observed
	(ii) Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address.
Tuesday, the 6th March, 2001	Holiday
Wednesday, the 7th March, 2001	Statement by the Chief Minister regarding matters raised during the 'Zero Hour'
Thursday, the 8th March, 2001	} Holidays
Friday, the 9th March, 2001	
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Sunday, the 11th March, 2001	
Monday, the 12th March, 2001	Off-day
Tuesday, the 13th March, 2001 (2.30 P.M. to 6.12 P.M.)	(i) Statement by the Chief Minister on the issues raised during the 'Zero Hour'
	(ii) Resolution was moved by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs for the suspension of the following 21 Members from the service of the House of remaining period of the Session :
	1. Chaudhary Jagjit Singh INC
	2. Sardar Avtar Sing Brar "
	3. Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal "
	4. Dr. Harbans Lal "
	5. Sh. Romesh Chander Dogra "
	6. Sardar Gurcharan Singh. " Dirba
	7. Sardar Harmohinder Singh " Pradhan
	8. Sardar Amrik Singh " Dhillon
	9. Sh. Rakesh pandey "
	10. Sardar Tej Parkash Singh "
	11. Sardar Harminder Singh " Jassi
	12. Sardar Amarjit Singh " Samra
	13. Sardar Kanwaljit Singh " Lally

Date	Programme observed
	14. Comrade Ajaib Singh CPI Raunta
	15. Comrade Hardev Singh " Arshi
	16. Shri Shingara Ram BSP Sahungra
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	19. Sardar Baldev Singh " Khiala
	20. Sardar Hira Singh " Gabria
	21. Sardar Jagtar Singh " Rajla

(Motion was carried)

Wednesday, the 14th March, 2001 (10.00 A.M. to 3.34 P.M.) (i) Congratulatory Resolution for honouring Shri Gopi Chand and Sardar Harbhajan Singh who have made laudable achievements in the field of sports.

(Passed)

(ii) Resumption of Discussion on the Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address.

(Concluded)

Thursday, the 15th March, 2001 (10.00 A.M to 2.39 P.M.)

- (i) Presentation of Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 2000-2001.
- (ii) Presentation of the Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 2000-2001.

#### Non-Official Resolution :--

- (iii) This House unanimously resolves to condemn the senseless killings of Punjabis especially the Sikhs in Delhi and other parts of the country in 1984 riots engineered by politically

Date	Programme observed
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motivated people with the intention of deriving political mileage. While appreciating the appointment of Nanawati Commission appointed by the Government to probe into the 1984 killings, this House strongly recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to approach the Central Government and the concerned State Governments to bring those rioters who have so far escaped the clutches of law, to book and ensure the severest possible punishment to them so that the communal fabric of the country is maintained.

(Carried as amended)

Friday, the 16th March,  
2001 (10.00 A.M. to  
11.59 A.M.)

- (i) Presentation and adoption of Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
- (ii) Statement made by the Finance Minister on the Financial situation of the Government of Punjab.
- (iii) Discussion and Voting on the Demands for Supplementary Grants for the year 2000-2001.
- (iv) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2001.

(Passed)

Saturday, the 17th March, 2001 } Holidays  
Sunday, the 18th March, 2001 }

Monday, the 19th March, 2001  
(11.00 A.M. to 1.08 P.M.)

Presentation of Budget Estimates for the year, 2001-2002.

Tuesday, the 20th March,  
2001

Off-day.

Wednesday, the 21st March,  
2001 (2.30 P.M. to 5.34 P.M.)

General Discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 2001-2002.

(Concluded)

Date	Programme observed
Thursday, the 22nd March, 2001 (10.00 A.M. to 2.30 P.M.)	(1) Non-Official Resolution--

"This House unanimously resolves to condemn the senseless act of Operation Blue Star undertaken at Sri Harmandir Sahib, Amritsar in June, 1984 wherein the innocent devotees were martyred, in the Holy precincts of Sri Harmandir Sahib, Amritsar—the Holiest in the Holy and Religious places in the World, and building of Shri Akal Takhat Sahib was devastated which had a long and crushing effect on the psyche of the humanity as a whole. This House strongly recommends to the State Government to convey the feelings of this House to the Central Government."

(Carried as amended)

(ii) Official Resolution—

"This House strongly condemns the heinous crime committed by certain anti-social elements at Amritsar by throwing pork and burning of a religious book (The Holy Quran) at a place of worship, which have hurt the religious sentiments of the minority community, and which aims at shattering our social fabric and communal harmony. This House appreciates the strong and immediate measures adopted by the Government to apprehend the culprits responsible for perpetrating of these incidents".

(Passed)

Friday, the 23rd March, 2001	} Holidays
Saturday, the 24th March, 2001	
Sunday, the 25th March, 2001	

Monday, the 26th March, 2001  
(2.30 P.M. to 4.24 P.M.)

(i) Official Resolution--

"This House strongly condemns the utterances of the President

Date

Programme observed

of All India Congress Party made at Congress Session at Bangalore labeling Hon. Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of India, a proven staunch Nationalist, as a traitor, having least regard to his age-long service to the Nation and his unquestionable leadership of the masses. She has hit below the belt that has proven her political immaturity and incapacity of understanding the National psyche being of a foreign origin. Such a statement on the part of a President of a National Party is not only irresponsible but is also unethical and hence unwarranted, and is therefore, condemned in strongest terms."

(Passed)

- (ii) Discussion and Voting on Demands for Grants relating to the Budget Estimates for the year 2001-2002.

- (iii) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2001.

(Passed)

Tuesday, the 27th March, 2001 (10.00 A.M. to 12.32 P.M.)

- (i) Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly *sine die*.

(Carried)

- (ii) Motion regarding constitution of Elected Committees of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha for the year 2001-2002.

(Carried)

- (iii) Official Resolution under Section 65 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 regarding raising the maximum limit of loan from Rs. 4,000 Crores to Rs. 5,000 Crores.

(Carried)

Date	Programme observed
	(iv) The Punjab State Commission for Women Bill, 2001. (Passed)
	(v) The Punjab Women and Children Development and Welfare Corporation (Repeal) Bill, 2001. (Passed)
	(vi) The Indian Stamp (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 2001. (Passed)
	(vii) The Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 2001. (Passed)
	(viii) The Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2001. (Passed)
	(lx) The Punjab Backward Classes, Land Development and Finance Corporation (Amendmet) Bill, 2001. (Passed)
	(x) The East Punjab Urban Rent Restriction (Amendment) Bill, 2001. (Passed)
	(xi) The Salaries of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Speaker and Deputy Speaker (Amendment) Bill, 2001. (Passed)

### 3. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 1st March, 2001, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) :--

1. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
2. Captain Balbir Singh Bath
3. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla
4. Shri Jagdish Sawhney

#### 4. GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

The Governor addressed the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on the 1st March, 2001.

The Speaker laid a copy of the Governor's Address on the Table of the House on the 5th March, 2001.

The Motion of Thanks on the Governor's Address was moved by Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA, on the 5th March, 2001, which was seconded by Shri Arunesh Shakar, MLA, on the same day.

The Motion was discussed on the 14th March, 2001 for 234 minutes (Treasury Benches only).

Nine Members from the Treasury Benches took part in the discussion (including the Mover/Seconder of the Motion and the Chief Minister).

The Motion was carried on the 14th March, 2001 unanimously.

It was communicated by the Speaker on the 14th March, 2001 to the Governor.



## 5. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on 2nd March, 2001 :--

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Sr. No.	Name of the deceased
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| 1.  | Shri Inderjit Gupta, Ex-Union Minister.   |
| 2.  | Shri V.N. Gadgil, Ex-Union Minister.  |
| 3.  | Shri Dharamvir, Ex-Governor, Punjab, West Bengal and Karnataka.                             |
| 4.  | Sardar Parkash Singh Majitha, Minister.   |
| 5.  | Sardar Prem Singh Prem, Ex-Minister.  |
| 6.  | Sardar Manjit Singh Bhattal, Ex-MLA.  |
| 7.  | Shri Jagjit Singh Tikka, Ex-MLA.  |
| 8.  | Sardar Balbir Singh Pannu, Senior Vice-President, Shiromani Gurudwara Parbandhak Committee. |
| 9.  | Sardar Ishar Singh Sodhi, Freedom-Fighter.  |
| 10. | Smt. Vijay Raje Scindia, Rajmata.   |
| 11. | Victims of Earthquake tragedy in Gujarat.   |
| 12. | Sikhs killed in the firing incident in Srinagar.  |
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Hon'ble Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memories of the deceased on the said occasion.

## 6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

### I. Supplementary Demands for Grants for expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 2000-2001

(i) Supplementary Demands for Grants for expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 2000-2001 were presented to the Sabha on the 15th March, 2001 and these were discussed and voted on the 16th March, 2001.

There were 19 Demands in all totaling a sum of Rs. 818,28,30,000.

In accordance with the past practice a general discussion on all the Supplementary Demands together was permitted on the 16th March, 2001. No Member spoke on the demands for grants. The Finance Minister made a statement on the financial situation of the Government of Punjab and spoke for 15 minutes. The demands were put to the vote of the House and carried.

(ii) The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2001 (No. 4-PLA of 2001) in respect of Supplementary Demands voted upon by the Sabha on the 16th March, 2001, and expenditure charged on the consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab was introduced on the 16th March, 2001.

It was before the House for 10 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the 16th March, 2001.

### II. The Budget Estimates for the year 2001-2002

(i) The Budget Estimates for the year 2001-2002 were presented to the House on the 19th March, 2001.

General Discussion on the Budget was held on 21st March, 2001. 7 Members from the Treasury Benches including the Finance Minister took part in discussion for 69 minutes.

(ii) **Demands for Grants.**—There were in all 30 demands for grants totaling a sum of Rs. 23630,90, 28,000/-. All the demands were discussed on 26th March, 2001. Only one Member from Treasury Benches took part in discussion for 20 minutes and the Finance Minister by way of reply spoke for 7 minutes.

All the demands were put together to the Vote of the House with the consent of the House and carried unanimously.

(iii) **The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2001.**—The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2001 (No. 8-PLA-2001) in respect of the demands voted by the Sabha and Expenditure Charged on the Consolidated fund of the State of Punjab was introduced on the 26th March, 2001.

It was before the House for 14 minutes.

The Bill was passed on the 26th March, 2001.

## 7. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on 16th March, 2001, 26th March, 2001 and 27th March, 2001.

### I. Official Bills

The Sabha passed 10 Bills in all (including two Appropriation Bills). (See Table).

### II. Non-Official Bill

Nil.

TABLE 15 - 16

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Minister Introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of Consideration	Number of Speeches						Time taken in Minutes						Amendment Proposed						Amendments not moved / withdrawn/ held out of order / leave refused						Amendments Carried						Total Time taken in minutes for the disposal of the Bill	Date of Passing	Remarks
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1.	The Punjab Appropriation (No.1) Bill, 2001	Finance Minister	16-3-2001	16-3-2001	1	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	16-3-2001	--			
2.	The Punjab Appropriation (No.2) Bill, 2001	Finance Minister	26-3-2001	26-3-2001	1	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	26-3-2001	--			
3.	The Punjab State Commission for Women Bill, 2001	Minister for Social Security	27-3-2001	27-3-2001	6	-	-	-	-	-	45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45	27-3-2001	--			
4.	The Punjab Women and Children Development and Welfare Corporation (Repeal) Bill, 2001.	Minister for Social Security	27-3-2001	27-3-2001	1	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	27-3-2001	--			
5.	The Indian Stamp (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 2001.	Minister for Rev. & Reh.	27-3-2001	27-3-2001	1	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	27-3-2001	--			
6.	The Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 2001.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	27-3-2001	27-3-2001	1	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	27-3-2001	--			
7.	The Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2001.	Minister for Welfare of SCs & BCs	27-3-2001	27-3-2001	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	27-3-2001	--			
8.	The Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation(Amendment) Bill, 2001.	Minister for Welfare of SCs & BCs	27-3-2001	27-3-2001	1	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	27-3-2001	--			
9.	The East Punjab Urban Rent Restriction (Amendment)Bill, 2001.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	27-3-2001	27-3-2001	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	27-3-2001	--			
10.	The Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 2001.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	27-3-2001	27-3-2001	1	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	27-3-2001	--			



## 8. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA

### 1. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 16th March, 2001).

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of Punjab of the sums required to meet the Supplementary Grants made by the Legislative Assembly for the expenditure for the financial year 2000-2001.

### 2. The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 26th March, 2001).

This Bill provides for the appropriation out of the Consolidated Fund of the State of all moneys required to meet the expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund and the grants made in advance by the Legislative Assembly in respect of the estimated expenditure of the State Government, for the Financial year 2001-2002.

### 3. The Punjab State Commission for Women Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 27th March, 2001).

This Bill provides for the constitution of the State Commission for Women with a view to improve the status of women in the State of Punjab and to enquire into un-fair practices affecting women and for the matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

### 4. The Punjab Women and Children Development and Welfare Corporation (Repeal) Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 27th March, 2001).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Women and Children Development and Welfare Corporation (Repeal) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of



2001) which was promulgated to repeal the Principal Act so as to close down the Corporation due to recurring losses to the Government.

5. The Indian Stamp (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 27th March, 2001).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to provide for determination of market value in accordance with the rules to be framed by the Government to bring reasonable uniformity in the evaluation of property and to check evasion of stamp duty. It also provides the adjustment of duty chargeable at the time of execution in pursuance of Power of Attorney or Agreement to Sell on which the Stamp duty was charged.

6. The Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 27th March, 2001).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Second Amendment) Ordinance 2000, (Punjab Ordinance No. 9 of 2000) which was promulgated to enhance the special road tax on various type of vehicles coming to Punjab, registered in other states.

7. The Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 27th March, 2001).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act to provide increase in the strength of Members/Directors of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation from twelve to thirteen by taking the Director, Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes (*ex-officio*) on the Board of Directors.



8. The Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 27th March, 2001).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act, to provide increase in the strength of Members/Directors of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation from nine to ten by taking the Director, Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes (*ex-officio*) on the Board of Directors.

9. The East Punjab Urban Rent Restriction (Amendment) Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 27th March, 2001).

This Bill replaces the East Punjab Urban Rent Restriction (Amendment) Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 10 of 2000) which was promulgated to provide relief to N.R.Is. to enable them to recover possession of a residential or scheduled building and/or one non residential building for their own use.

10. The Punjab Legislative Assembly Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 27th March, 2001).

This Bill seeks to amend the Principal Act for allowing the Speaker and Deputy Speaker a repayable advance of Rs. 6 Lakh who surrender their State cars and also to bring the Hon'ble Speaker and Deputy Speaker at par with the Cabinet Minister and the Minister of State.

## 9. RESOLUTIONS

### (i) Official

1. The following Resolution was moved on the 22nd March, 2001 by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs :--

"This House strongly condemns the heinous crime committed by certain anti-social elements at Amritsar by throwing pork and burning of a religious book (The Holy Quran) at a place of Worship, which have hurt the religious sentiments of the minority community, and which aims at shattering our social fabric and communal harmony. This House appreciates the strong and immediate measures adopted by the Government to apprehend the culprits responsible for perpetrating of these incidents.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

2. The following Resolution was moved on the 26th March, 2001 by the Chief Minister :-

"This House strongly condemns the utterances of the President of All India Congress Party made at Congress Session at Bangalore labeling Hon. Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of India, a proven staunch Nationalist, as a traitor having least regard to his age-long service to the Nation and his unquestionable leadership of the masses. She has hit below the belt that has proven her political immaturity and incapacity of understanding the National psyche being of a foreign origin. Such a statement on the part of a President of National Party is not only irresponsible but is also unethical and hence unwarranted, and is therefore, condemned in strongest terms."

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

3. The following Resolution was moved on the 27th March, 2001 by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs :--

"WHEREAS the elections to the :--

1. Committee on Public Accounts;
2. Committee on Estimates.
3. Committee on Public Undertakings; and
4. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes.

for the year 2001-2002, are to be held before the 31st March, 2001; and

WHEREAS the time left at the disposal of the House is extremely short and it is not possible to conduct in the normal course, the election to these Committees.

NOW, therefore, this House authorizes the Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha, to nominate the members of the aforesaid Committees for the aforesaid year, keeping in view the proportionate strength of various parties/groups in the House.

This House further resolves that for the above purpose, the rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) relating to the elections to the said Committees for the year 2001-2002 which are inconsistent with or contrary to the above resolution, shall stand suspended."

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried, unanimously.

4. The following Resolution was moved on the 27th March, 2001 by the Minister for Power :--

"WHEREAS in pursuance of the provisions of sub-section (3) of section 65 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 (Central Act No. 54 of 1948), the Government of Punjab intends to raise the limit of maximum amount, which the Punjab State Electricity

Board may at any time, have on loan under sub-section (1) of section 65 of the said Act, from the existing limit of Rs. 4,000 crores, fixed with the approval of the Vidhan Sabha,--vide Government of Punjab, Department of Irrigation and Power Memo No. 2/2/95-PE(5)/11691, dated 23rd June, 2000, to Rs. 5,000 crores (Rupees Five Thousand crore only) which can be done by it with the approval of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is resolved and this House does hereby accord its approval to the fixing of the sum of Rs. 5,000 crores (Rupees five Thousand crore only) as the maximum amount which the Punjab State Electricity Board may at any time have on loan under sub-section (1) of section 65 of the Act, aforesaid."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

## (11) NON-OFFICIAL

	Total	Treasury Benches	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD (MANN)	Indepen- dents
1. Number of Notices received	35	10	4	21	—	—	—
2. Number of Notices admitted	32	10	4	18	—	—	—
3. Number of Notices disallowed	3	—	—	3	—	—	—
4. Number of resolutions for ballots	9	5	2	2	—	—	—
5. Total number of Resolutions which lapsed on prorogation	30	8	4	18	—	—	—
6. Number of ballots held	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Date on which business other than Government business was transacted		15-3-2001 and 22-3-2001					
8. Date on which ballot was held		14-3-2001 and 21-3-2001					

1. On Thursday, the 15th March, 2001 Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh, M.L.A., moved the following Resolution :—

"This House unanimously resolves to condemn the senseless killings of Punjabis especially the Sikhs in Delhi and other parts of the country in 1984 riots engineered by politically motivated people with the intention of driving political mileage. This House strongly recommends the Government to take immediate steps to approach the Central Government and the concerned State Government to bring those rioters who have so far escaped the clutches of law, to book and ensure the severest possible punishment to them so that the communal fabric of the country is maintained."

This Resolution was discussed in the House for 2 hours and 12 minutes. 11 Members from Treasury Benches participated in the discussion.

The amendment to the Resolution given notice of by Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh, M.L.A., was moved and carried.

The Resolution in the following amended form was carried unanimously :—

"This House unanimously resolves to condemn the senseless killings of Punjabis especially the Sikhs in Delhi and other parts of the country in 1984 riots engineered by politically motivated people with the intention of deriving political mileage. While appreciating the appointment of Nanavati Commission appointed by the Government to probe the 1984 killings, this House strongly recommends to the State Government to take immediate steps to approach the Central Government and the concerned State Governments to bring those rioters, who have so far escaped the clutches of law to book and ensure the severest possible punishment to them so that the communal fabric of the country is maintained."

2. On Thursday, the 22nd March, 2001, Sardar Gurdeep Singh Bhullar, M.L.A., moved the following Resolution :—

"This House unanimously resolves to condemn the senseless act of Operation Blue Star undertaken at Sri Harmandir Sahib, Amritsar in June, 1984 wherein the innocent devotees were killed in the Holy precincts of Sri Harmandir Sahib, Amritsar the Holiest of the Holy and Religious places in the World which had a long and crushing effect on the psyche of the humanity as a whole. This House strongly recommends to the State Government to convey the feelings of this House to the Central Government."

This Resolution was discussed in the House for 2 hours and 29 minutes. 10 Members from Treasury Benches participated in the discussion.

The amendment to the Resolution given notice of by Sardar Gurdeep Singh Bhullar, M.L.A., was moved and carried.

The Resolution in the following amended form was carried unanimously :—

"This House unanimously resolves to condemn the senseless act of Operation Blue Star undertaken at Sri Harmandir Sahib, Amritsar in June, 1984 wherein the innocent devotees were martyred, in the Holy precincts of Sri Harmandir Sahib, Amritsar the Holiest of the Holy and Religious Places in the World and building of Sri Akal Takhat Sahib was devastated, which had a long and crushing effect on the psyche of the humanity as a whole. This House strongly recommends to the State Government to convey the feelings of this House to the Central Government."

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## 10. PAPERS LAID

Sr. No.	By whom laid	Date on which laid	Subject
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	5-3-2001	<p>1. (i) The East Punjab Urban Rent Restriction (Amendment) Ordinance, 2000 (Punjab Ordinance No. 10 of 2000); and</p> <p>(ii) The Punjab Women and Children Development and Welfare Corporation (Repeal) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 1 of 2001), as required under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p>2. (i) The Punjab Reservation for the Offices of Sarpanches of Gram Panchayat Samitis and Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads (First Amendment) Rules, 2000; and</p> <p>(ii) The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads Services (First Amendment) Rules, 2000, as required under Section 227(3) of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994.</p> <p>3. The notifications issued on 1st March, 2000, 17th April, 2000, 19th May, 2000 and 13th June, 2000 in respect of the Punjab Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Rules, 2000, as required under Section 212 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.</p> <p>4. The Annual Report of the Punjab Police Housing Corporation Ltd. for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</p> <p>5. The Annual Report of the Punjab Public Service Commission for the year 1998-99, alongwith Explanatory Memorandum, as required under Article 323(2) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p>6. The Annual Report of the Punjab State Hosiery and Knitwear Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1993-94, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</p> <p>7. The 22nd Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</p> <p>8. The Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Administration Report of PEPFU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1999-2000.</p>



Sr. No.	By whom laid Date on which laid	Subject
9.		The 34th Annual Report of the Punjab Poultry Development Corporation Ltd., for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
10.		The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Dairy Development Corporation Ltd., for the year ending 31st March, 2000, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
11.		The Administration Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation, Patiala, for the year 1998-1999, as required under Section 35(3) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
12.		The 33rd Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Agro Industries Corporation Ltd., for the year 1998-99, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
13.		The 29th Annual Report of the Punjab State Warehousing Corporation for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 31(11) of the Warehousing Corporation Act, 1962.
14.		The 22nd Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd., for the year 1995-96, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
15.		The Annual Administrative Report of Local Fund Audit Organisation, Punjab for the year 1998-99.
16.		The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board for the years 1997-98 and 1998-99, as required under Section 42 of the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board Act, 1976.
17.		The Audit Report on the Accounts of the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board for the period from 1st April, 1996 to 31st March, 1997, as required under Section 45 of the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board Act, 1976.
18.		The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab Urban Planning and Development Authority for the year 1998-99, as required under Section 53(1) of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Act, 1995.

Sr. By whom laid No.	Date on which laid	Subject
		<p>19. The 1st and 2nd Annual Reports and Accounts of the Anandpur Sahib Urban Planning and Development Authority for the years 1997-98 and 1998-99 (15-10-1997 to 31-3-1999), as required under Section 53(1) of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Act, 1995.</p> <p>20. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation for the year 1998-99, as required under Section 23(6) of the Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation Act, 1951.</p> <p>21. The Annual Reports of the Punjab Financial Corporation for the years from 1995-96 to 1998-99, as required under Section 38(3) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.</p> <p>22. The 33rd Annual Report of the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1998-99, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</p> <p>23. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Small Industries and Export Corporation Ltd. for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.</p> <p>24. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Pollution Control Board for the year 1996-97, as required under Section 39 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974.</p> <p>25. The Annual Report of the Punjab Urban Development Authority for the year 1996-97, as required under Section 54(2) of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Act, 1995.</p> <p>26. The Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of P.R.T.C. for the year 1999-2000.</p> <p>27. The Inquiry Report of the Gurnam Singh Commission of Inquiry, Punjab regarding Nakodar Incidents (Part-I), as required under Section 3(4) of the Commission of Inquiry Act, 1952.</p>
2. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	14-3-2001	<p>1. The Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 9 of 2000), as required under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution of India.</p>

Sr. By whom laid No.	Date on which laid	Subject
		2. (i) The Punjab Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads Employees Pension and Provident Fund Rules, 2000; and (ii) The Punjab Gram Panchayat (First Amendment) Rules, 2000, as required under Section 227(3) of the Punjab Panchayati Raj Act, 1994.
		3. The 2nd Annual Report of the Punjab State Container and Warehousing Corporation Ltd. (CONWARE) for the year 1996-97, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
		4. The 30th Annual Report of the Punjab State Warehousing Corporation for the year 1996-97, as required under Section 31(11) of the Warehousing Corporation Act, 1962.
		5. The Annual Report of the Punjab Health Systems Corporation for the year 1998-99, as required under Section 21(4) of the Punjab Health Systems Corporation Act, 1996.
3. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	15-3-2001	1. The 17th Annual Report of the Goindwal Industrial and Investment Corporation of Punjab Ltd. for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956. 2. The Annual Accounts and Audit Report of the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation for the year 1998-99, alongwith review, as required under Section 33(4) of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950.
4. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	22-3-2001	6. The Punjab Motor Vehicles (First Amendment) Rules, 2001, as required under Section 212 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.
5. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	27-3-2001	1. The Punjab Education Development Rules, 1999, as required under Section 11(3) of the Punjab Education Development Act, 1998. 2. (i) Government of Punjab, Appropriation Accounts, 1999-2000; and (ii) Government of Punjab, Finance Accounts, 1999-2000, as required under Clause (2) of Article 151 of the Constitution of India.

## 11. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Sr. No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/ laid	Subject
<b>I. BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE</b>			
1.	Speaker	5-3-2001	1. First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
2.	Speaker	16-3-2001	2. Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
<b>II. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS</b>			
1.	Member	14-3-2001	1. 130th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1988-89, 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1995-96 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1988-89, 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1995-96 (Revenue Receipts) relating to the Department of Revenue.
			2. 131st Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1995-96 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1995-96 (Revenue Receipts) relating to the Department of Transport.
2.	Member	15-3-2001	3. 132nd Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1988-89 and 1989-90 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1988-89 and 1989-90 (Revenue Receipts) relating to the Department of Excise and Taxation.
			4. 133rd Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1991-92(Civil), 1992-93(Civil), 1993-94(Civil), 1994-95 (Civil) and 1995-96(Civil) relating to Health and Family Welfare and Food and Supplies Departments.
3.	Member	22-3-2001	5. 134th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1989-90 and 1990-91 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1989-90 (Civil) and 1990-91 (Civil) relating to the P.W.D. (Public Health).

Sr. By whom No. presented/ laid	Date on which presented/ laid	Subject
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6. 135th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 (RR) relating to the Irrigation, Industries, Housing and Urban Development, Finance, Electricity and Horticulture Departments.

7. 136th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1991-92 and 1995-96 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1991-92(RR) and 1995-96 (RR) relating to the Excise and Taxation Department.

8. 137th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1984-85, 1985-86, 1986-87, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1994-95 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1984-85, 1985-86, 1986-87, 1988-89, 1989-90, 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1994-95 (Civil) relating to the Revenue, Technical Education, Sports, Transport, Animal Husbandry, Colonization and Horticulture Departments.

4. Member 26-3-2001

9. 138th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1996-97 and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1996-97 (Civil) relating to the Department of Rural Development and Panchayats.

### III. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS

1. Chairman 15-3-2001

1. 67th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 2000-2001, on the General Working relating to the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board.

2. Chairman 22-3-2001

2. 68th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1986-87 and 1987-88 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Limited.

Sr. No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/ laid	Subject
3.	Chairman	26-3-2001	3. 69th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings on the Audit Paras appearing in the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1987-88, 1989-90, 1991-92, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1996-97 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited, Punjab Land Development and Reclamation Corporation Limited, Punjab Poultry Development Corporation Limited, PEPSU Road Transport Corporation and Punjab Digital Industrial Systems Limited.
			4. 70th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 2000-2001 on the General Working relating to the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation.

#### IV. COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES

1.	Chairman	15-3-2001	1. Report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 2000-2001.
2.	Chairman	21-3-2001	2. Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 2000-2001 in respect of Hospitality Department, Punjab.
3.	Chairman	22-3-2001	3. Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 2000-2001 in respect of Medical Education and Research Department, Punjab.
4.	Chairman	26-3-2001	4. Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 2000-2001 in respect of P.W.D. (B&R), Punjab.
5.	Chairman	27-3-2001	5. Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 2000-2001 in respect of Health and Family Welfare Department, Punjab.

#### V. COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES, SCHEDULED TRIBES AND BACKWARD CLASSES

1.	Chairman	15-3-2001	1. 27th Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 2000-2001, in respect of the reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in Services and Posts in respect of the Department of Animal Husbandry.
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Sr. No.	By whom presented/ laid	Date on which presented/ laid	Subject
2.	Member	22-3-2001	2. 28th Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 2000-2001, in respect of the reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in Services and Posts in respect of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited (PUNSUP).

#### VI. COMMITTEE ON PAPERS LAID/TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE

1.	Chairman	22-3-2001	12th Report of the Committee on Papers Laid/To be Laid on the Table for the year 2000-2001.
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#### VII. COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES

1.	Chairman	27-3-2001	34th Report of the Committee on Government Assurances for the year 2000-2001.
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#### VIII. COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION

1.	Member	22-3-2001	30th Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year 2000-2001.
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#### IX. COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE TO ENQUIRE INTO THE RECRUITMENT OF TEACHERS MADE BY THE PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT

1.	Chairman	27-3-2001	Report of the Committee of the House to enquire into the Recruitment of Teachers made by the previous Government.
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## 12. ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Notice of one Adjournment Motion was received on 2nd March, 2001 from different Members, which was not admitted. However, the same was mentioned in the House, the particulars of which are given below :--

Sr. No.	Date of Motion	Date when taken up/ mentioned in the House	Member(s) giving Notice	Notice	Decision
1.	2-3-2001	(i) 5-3-2001 (ii) 7-3-2001	Sardar Kanwaljit Singh Lally, Shri Romesh Chander Dogra, Shri Harminder Singh Jassi and Dr. Harbans Lal	Discrimination with MLAs' of Opposition Parties by the Punjab Government at various levels in allocating funds/works in their respective consti- tuencies.	Dis- allowed



**13. QUESTIONS OF PRIVILEGE**

Notices of four Privilege Motions were received but none of these was mentioned in the House.

## 14. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. Minister/Member No. moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject	Remarks/ Decision
1. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	5-3-2001	5-3-2001	Adoption of recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee	Carried
2. Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, MLA	5-3-2001	5-3-2001 14-3-2001	Motion of Thanks for the Address delivered by the Governor on the 1st March, 2001	Carried on 14-3-2001
3. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	16-3-2001	16-3-2001	Adoption of recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee	Carried
4. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	27-3-2001	27-3-2001	Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the House sine-die.	Carried

## 15. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 66

In all 50 Notices Calling Attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these 20 were admitted. Six admitted Notices were not put. The details of the remaining 14 admitted Notices which were taken up in the House are given below :--

The rest were disallowed by the Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other--

Sr. No.	Call Attention Notice No.	Member(s) Calling Attention	Date	Subject	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	17	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	14-3-2001 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. Loss of wheat crop in Kandl area in district Hoshiarpur due to drought.	Minister for Power made a statement in this behalf.
2.	22	S. Gurdip Singh Bhullar S. Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh S. Makhan Singh	-do-	Reg. Withering of wheat and other crops due to drought.	-do-
3.	18	Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla	15-3-2001 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. Supply of contaminated drinking water in Amritsar City.	Minister for Local Government, Labour and Employment made a Statement in this behalf.
4.	19	Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla	-do-	Reg. Difficulties being faced by the patients at Guru Nanak Dev Hospital, Amritsar due to scanning and Ultra-sound machines out of order.	Minister for Medical Education and Research made a statement in this behalf.
5.	24	S. Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh S. Gurdip Singh Bhullar S. Makhan Singh	-do-	Reg. Non-supply of single phase electricity beyond red line.	Power Minister made a statement in this behalf.
6.	34	S. Makhan Singh S. Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh	16-3-2001 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. Discrimination with Punjabi Language in U.T., Chandigarh.	Chief Minister made a statement in this behalf.
7.	36	S. Gurdip Singh Bhullar	21-3-2001 (Afternoon Sitting)	Reg. Spreading of rinderpest and mouth & feet disease amongst cattle in the State.	Minister for Animal Husbandry made a statement in this behalf.
8.	39	S. Makhan Singh S. Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh	-do-	-do-	-do-

1	2	3	4	5	6
9.	37	Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla	21-3-2001 (Afternoon Sitting)	Reg. Mass copying indulged into by the candidates appearing in the examination conducted by the Punjab School Education Board.	Minister for Education made a statement in this behalf.
10.	38	Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla	-do-	Reg. Charging of capitation fees by the management of the institutions in the State from the students seeking admission in Nursing Courses.	Minister for Medical Education and Research made a statement in this behalf.
11.	47	S. Gurdip Singh Bhullar	22-3-2001 (Morning Sitting)	Reg. Loss of study due to shortage of teachers in the State particularly in rural areas.	Education Minister made a statement in this behalf.
12.	48	S. Gurdip Singh Bhullar	-do-	Reg. Closing of Science Group in Guru Gobind Singh Government College, Jandiala (Jalandhar).	Minister for Higher Education made a statement in this behalf.
13.	49	Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla	26-3-2001 (Afternoon Sitting)	Reg. Difficulties being faced by the students due to non-stop use of loud speakers at high volume.	The Chief Minister made a statement in this behalf.
14.	50	Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla	-do-	Reg. increasing incidents of firing bullet shots from licensed or unlicensed arms on the occasion of marriages and other functions resulting in accidental killings or grievous injuries in the State	The Chief Minister made a statement in this behalf.

**16. STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

The Chief Minister/Ministers made a total number of 14 Statements including 12 Statements made in reply to Call Attention Notices. The details in regard to the remaining two Statements are as follows :--

Sr. No.	Date	Made by	Subject matter
1.	14th March, 2001	Chief Minister	Regarding congratulating Shri Gopi Chand and Shri Harbhajan Singh who have made laudable achievements in the field of sports and announcing incentives for them.
2.	16th March, 2001	Finance Minister	On the Financial Situation of the Government of Punjab.

**17. STATEMENTS MADE IN REPLY TO MATTERS RAISED DURING  
ZERO HOUR**

3 Statements were made in reply to various matters raised by the Hon'ble Members during Zero Hour, the details of which are as under :—

Sr. No.	Date	Made by	Subject matter
1.	7th March, 2001	Chief Minister	Regarding construction of roads to the extent of 20 kilometers and allocation of funds for development works in each Constituency and earmarking/allocation of funds for rural and urban development.
2.	13th March, 2001	Chief Minister	Regarding allocation of development funds to each Constituency and for laying of foundation stones for various works.
3.	16th March, 2001	Chief Minister	Regarding commitment of the Central Government as well as the State Government to help the farmers.

# 18. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

Number of Speeches made by		Time taken by											
Treasury Benches	Mem- bers of	Mem- bers of	Mem- bers of	Mem- bers of	Mem- bers of	Mem- bers of	Mem- bers of	Mem- bers of	Mem- bers of	Mem- bers of	Mem- bers of	Mem- bers of	Indepen- dents
Members excluding Ministers	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	S.A.D.	B.S.P.	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	S.A.D.	B.S.P.	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	S.A.D.	B.S.P.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
33	15	1	1	1	1	1	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.
62.26	28.29	1.89	1.89	1.89	1.89	1.89	6.52	4.39	0.20	0.21	0.14	0.11	0.07
per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent

Note : (1) Observations/Statements, Rulings etc. by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above Statement.

(2) Question Hour has been excluded from the Statement.

(3) Time taken on Privilege Motions, Call Attention Notices, Points of Order, Matters raised during Zero Hour, Motions in respect of Legislation, Congratulatory Speeches, Presentation of Reports and other Papers etc. is also excluded from the Statement.

## 19. FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1. Total No. of Sittings of the Sabha	13
2. Total No. of Notices of Questions received :	
Starred Questions	418
Unstarred Questions	132
Short Notice Questions	7
3. Total No. of sittings at which Questions were not taken up	2
4. Total No. of Members from whom Notices were received	32
5. Total No. of Questions placed on the Order Paper:	
Starred Questions	215
Unstarred Questions	83
Short Notice Questions	2
6. Total No. of Starred Questions to which oral answers were given	89
7. Total No. of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions	24
8. Total No. of Unstarred Questions replied to	72
9. Total No. of Starred Questions Postponed	21
10. Largest No. of Questions addressed to any one Minister	6
(Chief Minister on 5-3-2001)	
11. Largest No. of Questions orally answered by any one Minister	4
(Chief Minister on 21-3-2001)	



# 20. QUESTIONS

## STATEMENT

Type of Questions	No. of Notices received	No. of Questions admitted	No. of Questions referred back	No. of Questions postponed	No. of Questions not put/not taken up	No. of Questions answered	No. of Questions converted as Unstarred Questions on prorogation	No. of Questions deemed to have been answered under Rule 38	No. of Questions withdrawn	No. of Supplementary matters
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Starred Questions	418	*261	156	21	78	89	24	27	1	311
Unstarred Questions	132	86	46	11	--	72	--	--	--	--
Short Notice Questions	7	**2	4	--	--	2	--	--	--	1
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\*One Starred Question was disallowed on reconsideration.

\*\*One Question given at a Short Notice was admitted as Ordinary Starred Question.

**21. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS  
ANSWERED DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE**

Date	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD (M)	BSP	INDEPENDENTS	Un- attached	Total
5-3-2001	5	--	1	2	--	--	2	--	10
7-3-2001	2	1	1	3	1	--	1	1	10
13-3-2001	3	1	3	1	1	--	--	3	12
14-3-2001	7	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	8
15-3-2001	5	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	7
16-3-2001	3	3	--	--	--	--	1	1	8
19-3-2001	4	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	6
21-3-2001	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	10
22-3-2001	4	2	--	--	--	--	1	--	7
26-3-2001	6	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	8
27-3-2001	1	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	3
<b>Total :</b>									<b>89</b>

22. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO  
HAVE BEEN ANSWERED UNDER RULE 38 DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

Date	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD (M)	BSP	Independents	Un- attached	Total
5-3-2001	1	1	1	2	2	--	--	2	9
7-3-2001	--	--	2	--	1	--	--	--	3
13-3-2001	2	--	--	--	1	--	--	1	4
14-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
15-3-2001	2	--	2	3	--	--	--	2	9
16-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
19-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
21-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
22-3-2001	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	1	2
26-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
27-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total :									27

23. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS  
IN THE NAMES OF DIFFERENT MINISTERS, DATE-WISE

Date	Chief Minister	Local Government Minister	Co-operation Minister	Agriculture Minister	Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Minister	Finance and Planning Minister	Housing and Urban Development Minister	Rural Development and Panchayats Minister	Medical Education and Research Minister	Higher Education Minister
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
5-3-2001	6	--	3	1	--	1	1	1	--	--
7-3-2001	3	3	2	--	--	--	--	2	--	--
13-3-2001	2	--	2	2	--	1	--	--	2	--
14-3-2001	1	1	--	3	--	2	--	--	--	--
15-3-2001	1	1	2	2	--	--	1	1	--	--
16-3-2001	1	--	3	--	1	1	--	--	2	1
19-3-2001	3	2	2	1	--	2	1	--	--	--
21-3-2001	5	2	--	1	1	1	2	--	--	2
22-3-2001	1	--	3	2	2	--	--	1	2	--
26-3-2001	2	--	3	1	--	1	--	1	--	2
27-3-2001	1	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	1

Date	Public Health Minister	Transport Minister	Animal Husbandry Minister	Welfare of S.C. & B.C. Classes Minister	Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister	Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister	P.W.D. (B&R) Minister	Health and Family Welfare Minister	Excise and Taxation Minister	Irrigation Minister
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
5-3-2001	1	--	--	1	--	--	1	1	--	1
7-3-2001	--	--	--	--	1	1	2	--	1	2
13-3-2001	1	1	--	1	2	--	1	2	--	1
14-3-2001	--	--	1	1	--	1	4	4	--	1
15-3-2001	--	2	1	--	--	--	--	1	--	4
16-3-2001	--	1	1	--	2	--	2	--	1	--
19-3-2001	--	1	--	--	--	--	1	1	--	2
21-3-2001	--	1	--	--	1	--	1	--	--	2
22-3-2001	--	2	--	--	--	--	2	3	--	--
26-3-2001	1	1	--	--	--	--	4	1	1	--
27-3-2001	--	2	--	--	3	--	--	4	--	1

Date	Power Minister	Defence Services Welfare, Jails, Welfare of Freedom Fighters and Elections Minister	Printing and Stationery and Youth Services Minister	Science and Technology, Legal and Legislative Affairs, Justice Minister	Forests Minister	Sports Minister	Technical Education Minister
5-3-2001	1	--	--	1	--	--	--
7-3-2001	2	--	--	--	--	--	1
13-3-2001	--	1	--	1	--	--	--
14-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	1	--
15-3-2001	2	--	--	--	1	1	--
16-3-2001	3	--	--	--	--	1	--
19-3-2001	3	--	--	--	--	1	--
21-3-2001	1	--	--	--	--	--	--
22-3-2001	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
26-3-2001	--	1	--	--	--	--	--
27-3-2001	--	1	1	--	--	--	1

24. STATEMENT REGARDING STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED FROM SOME OF THE QUESTIONS  
(AT SERIAL NO. 23) WHICH WERE INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF POSTPONED  
STARRED QUESTIONS

Date	Chief Minister	Local Government Minister	Co-operation Minister	Agriculture Minister	Finance and Planning Minister	Medical Education and Research Minister	Transport Minister	Higher Secondary and Primary Education Minister	Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister	Excise and Taxation Minister	Power Minister	Sports Minister
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
13-3-2001	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
14-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--
15-3-2001	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
19-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--
21-3-2001	3	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	1	--
22-3-2001	--	1	1	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
26-3-2001	--	1	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
27-3-2001	--	--	1	--	--	--	1	--	--	1	--	1

**25. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED,  
DATEWISE AND PARTYWISE**

Date	SAD	BJP	INC	CPI	SAD (M)	BSP	Independent	Un- attached	Total
5-3-2001	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1
7-3-2001	1	--	1	1	--	--	1	--	4
13-3-2001	1	1	1	1	--	--	--	--	4
14-3-2001	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	1	2
15-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
16-3-2001	1	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	3
19-3-2001	1	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	3
21-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1
22-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1
26-3-2001	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1
27-3-2001	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1
<b>Total :</b>									<b>21</b>



## 26. WALK-OUTS

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) Walking-out	Occasion
1	2	3	4
1.	14-3-2001 (M.S.)	Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa and Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura (SAD).	On the suspension of some Members from the House on 13th March, 2001.
2.	15-3-2001 (M.S.)	Shri Avtar Henry (INC)	On not being allowed time for holding discussion on the issue of corruption prevalent in the country.
3.	15-3-2001 (M.S.)	Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Smt. Daljit Kaur and Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura (SAD).	As a protest against the indifference shown by the Government on the issue of revoking the suspension of the Members.
4.	16-3-2001 (M.S.)	Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Bibi Daljit Kaur and Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura (SAD).	As a protest against not having been allowed to raise a Point of Order.
5.	19-3-2001 (M.S.)	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (BJP).	On account of extension granted in respect of replies to the Questions given notice of by her.
6.	21-3-2001 (A.S.)	Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal and Bibi Daljit Kaur (SAD).	As a protest against Press Photographers not having been allowed to enter the Lobby.
7.	21-3-2001 (A.S.)	Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi and Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta (SAD).	As a protest against violation of the traditions of the democracy.
8.	22-3-2001 (M.S.)	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla (BJP).	On not being allowed to speak during the proceedings of the House.

## 27. DIHARNAS

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) Sitting in Dharna	Occasion
1	2	3	4
1.	5-3-2001 (A.S.)	All the Members of the Congress Party present in the House, Members of the C.P.I., Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, Member of the B.S.P., Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, Member of Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann), Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar and Members of the Shiromani Akali Dal, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira and Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala.	As a protest against the indifference of the Government towards protection of the rights of the Members of the Opposition Parties.
2.	7-3-2001 (A.S.)	All the Members of the Congress Party present in the House, Members of the C.P.I. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, Member of the B.S.P., Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, Member of Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann) Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar and Members of Shiromani Akali Dal Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Smt. Daljit Kaur, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli and Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta.	On account of the interest of the Opposition Parties not being watched by the Government.
3.	7-3-2001 (A.S.)	All the Members of the Congress Party present in the House, Members of the C.P.I. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, Member of the B.S.P. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, Member of Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann) Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar and Members of Shiromani Akali Dal Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Smt. Daljit Kaur, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli and Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta.	On account of the interest of the Opposition Parties not being watched by the Government.

1	2	3	4
4. 7-3-2001 (A.S.)	<p>All the Members of the Congress Party present in the House, Members of the C.P.I. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, Member of the B.S.P., Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, Member of Shiromani Akali dal (Mann), Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar and Members of Shiromani Akali Dal Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Smt. Daljit Kaur, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli and Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta.</p>	<p>On account of the interest of the Opposition Parties not being watched by the Government.</p>	

## 28. UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSIONS

Sr. No.	Expression	Occasion	Date
1	2	3	4
1.	ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੇ ਕੋਰੜੀ ਦੇ ਨੁੱਠੇ ਵਿੱਚ ਖੀਰ ਵਾਲੀ ਗੋਲ ਕੀਤੀ ਹੈ ।	When used with reference to the Government.	13-3-2001
2.	ਇਕ ਘਰ ਤਾਂ ਡਿੱਠ ਵੀ ਛੱਡ ਲੈਂਦੀ ਹੈ ।	-do-	13-3-2001
3.	ਗੁਮਰਾਹ	When used with reference to a Political Party.	14-3-2001
4.	ਲੋਕਤੰਤਰ ਦਾ ਘਾਣ	When used with reference to a Political Party.	14-3-2001
5.	ਜਿੰਨੀਆਂ ਪੱਜੀਆਂ ਡੈਮੋਕਰੇਸੀ ਦੀਆਂ ਕਾਂਗਰਸਵਾਦ ਵਿੱਚ ਉਡਾਈਆਂ ਗਈਆਂ ਹਨ ।	When used with reference to a Political Party.	14-3-2001
6.	ਨਲਾਇਕੀ	When used with reference to a Political Party.	14-3-2001
7.	ਇਹ ਸੋਮ ਵਾਂਗ ਖਾ ਜਾਂਦੇ ਹਨ ਅਤੇ ਸਿਉਂਕ ਵਾਂਗ ਖਾ ਜਾਂਦੇ ਹਨ ।	When used with reference to a Political Party.	14-3-2001
8.	ਕਮੇਟੀ ਭਾਵੇਂ ਕਾਲੇ ਚੋਰ ਨੇ ਬਣਾਈ ।	When used with reference to a Minister.	15-3-2001
9.	ਗੁਮਰਾਹ	When used with reference to a Political Party.	15-3-2001
10.	ਮਿਸਲੀਡ	When used with reference to a Minister.	16-3-2001
11.	ਡੈਮੋਕਰੇਸੀ ਦਾ ਕਤਲ	When used with reference to a Political Party.	16-3-2001
12.	ਚੇਅਰ ਡਬਲ ਸਟੈਂਡਰਡ ਰੱਖੇ ਤਾਂ ਕੋਈ ਉਮੀਦ ਨਹੀਂ ਰਹਿਣੀ ।	When used with reference to the Chair.	22-3-2001
13.	ਪੰਜਾਬ ਅਤੇ ਹਿੰਦੁਸਤਾਨ ਦਾ ਥੋੜਾ ਬਿਠਾਉਣ ਵਾਲੀ ਕਾਂਗਰਸ	When used with reference to a Political Party.	22-3-2001
14.	ਸਿਕਿਉਰਟੀ ਫੋਰਸਿਜ਼ ਨੇ ਬੇਕਸ਼ੂਰ ਨੌਜਵਾਨਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਹਲਕੇ ਹੋਏ ਬੁੱਤਿਆਂ ਵਾਂਗ ਲੋਭ-ਲੋਭ ਕੇ ਗੋਲੀਆਂ ਦਾ ਸ਼ਿਕਾਰ ਬਣਾਇਆ ।	When used with reference to the Security Forces.	22-3-2001
15.	ਚੇਅਰਮੈਨ ਸਾਹਿਬ, ਇੰਨੀ ਕਮੀਨੀ ਜਮਾਤ ਕਾਂਗਰਸ ਸੀ ।	When used with reference to a Political Party.	22-3-2001

## 29. OBSERVATIONS MADE BY THE SPEAKER

1. Observation made by the Speaker on 5th March, 2001 regarding submission of replies to Questions, a day in advance positively.

Henceforth, if the reply to a Question is received late, it would not be taken up on that day's business but would appear in the Questions List for the next day. The supplementaries would also be taken up on the next day. Therefore, the replies to Questions must reach the Sabha Secretariat a day in advance positively.

2. Observation made by the Speaker on 22nd March, 2001 clarifying the entrance of Press Reporters to the Lobby.

The issue raised by Sardar Ravi Inder Singh that the correspondents/Press Reporters were stopped from entering the Lobby, is not correct. No such complaint has been received by the Press Gallery that any Correspondent was stopped from entering the Lobby.

## 30. SUSPENSION OF MEMBERS FROM THE SERVICE OF THE HOUSE

Sr. Date No.		Members suspended	Occasion
1	2	3	4
1.	13-3-2001	1. Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)	For interrupting the proceedings of the House repeatedly and for raising slogans in the well of the House against the way of working of the Government inspite of many requests by the Chair not to do so.  At this, a Resolution was moved by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs for the suspension of these Members from the House for the remaining period of the Session, which was passed by the House.
		2. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar	
		3. Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal	
		4. Dr. Harbans Lal	
		5. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra	
		6. Sardar Gurcharan Singh Dirba	
		7. Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan	
		8. Sardar Amrik Singh Dhillon	
		9. Shri Rakesh Kumar Pandey	
		10. Sardar Tej Parkash Singh	
		11. Shri Harinder Singh Jassi	
		12. Sardar Amarjit Singh Samra	
		13. Sardar Kanwaljit Singh Lally	
		14. Comrade Hardev Singh (Communist Party of India)	
		15. Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta	
		16. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	
		17. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal-Mann)	
		18. Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira (Shiromani Akali Dal)	
		19. Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala	
		20. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria	
		21. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla	

## APPENDIX I

31. BULLETINS PERTAINING TO BUDGET (ELEVENTH)  
SESSION, 2001

[Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha held during its Budget (Eleventh) Session, 2001]

## BULLETIN NO. 1

*Friday, the 2nd March, 2001*

(From 9.00 a.m. to 11.05 a.m.)

## 1. OATH OR AFFIRMATION BY A MEMBER :

Sardar Raj Mohinder Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal), declared elected as a Member from 13-Majitha Assembly Constituency, took oath in Punjabi.

## II. OBITUARY REFERENCES :

Honourable Chief Minister made reference to the deaths of :--

1. Shri Inderjit Gupta, Ex-Union Minister.
2. Shri V.N. Gadgil, Ex-Union Minister.
3. Shri Dharamvir, Ex-Governor, Punjab, West Bengal and Karnataka.
4. Sardar Parkash Singh Majitha, Minister.
5. Sardar Prem Singh Prem, Ex-Minister.
6. Sardar Manjit Singh Bhattal, Ex.-MLA.
7. Shri Jagjit Singh Tikka, Ex-M.L.A.
8. Sardar Balbir Singh Pannu, Senior Vice-President, S.G.P.C.
9. Sardar Ishar Singh Sodhi, Freedom Fighter.
10. Shrimati Vijay Raje Scindia, Rajmata.
11. Victims of Earthquake tragedy in Gujarat.
12. Sikhs killed in the firing incident in Srinagar.

While eulogising the contributions made by them in their respective fields, he expressed deep anguish

and grief on the demise of the said personalities. He also urged that messages of condolence may be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased.

While doing so, he spoke for 27 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Honourable Members, while paying their tributes to the departed souls, spoke for the time given against each :—

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (I.N.C.)	20 minutes
2.	Hon. Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment (Shri Balramji Dass Tandon)	13 "
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (C.P.I.)	21 "
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (B.S.P.)	11 "
5.	Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (S.A.D.-Mann)	14 "
6.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	07 "

The Honourable Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Honourable Members on the demise of the above mentioned personalities.

Thereafter, the Honourable Members stood in silence for two minutes for the peace of the departed souls.

The House, then adjourned till 2.00 P.M. on Monday, the 5th March, 2001, without transacting any other business.



**BULLETIN NO. 2**

Monday, the 5th March, 2001

(From 2.00 P.M. to 4.13 P.M.)

**(I) QUESTIONS :****(a) Starred :**

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	9	1	1	38

The remaining Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly).

**(b) Unstarred 17****(II) ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER :**

(a) In pursuance of Rule 18 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) the Hon'ble Speaker informed that the Governor had been pleased to deliver an address to the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on 1st March, 2001 under article 176(1) of the Constitution of India on the 1st March, 2001. He also laid a copy of the Address on the Table of the House.

**(b) Panel of Chairmen :**

The following Members were nominated by the Honourable Speaker under Rule 13(1) of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), to serve on the Panel of Chairmen :--

1. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
2. Captain Balbir Singh Bath
3. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla
4. Shri Jagdish Sawhney

**(III) ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY :**

The Secretary made the following announcement :--

"I lay on the Table a statement showing the Bills which were passed by the 11th Vidhan Sabha during its ninth and tenth Sessions and which have been assented to by the President/Governor."

**(IV) DHARNA :**

As a protest against the indifference of the Government towards protection of the rights of the Members of the Opposition Parties, all the Members of the Congress Party present in the House, Members of the C.P.I., Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, Member of the B.S.P., Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, Member of Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann), Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar and Members of the Shiromani Akali Dal, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira and Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, came into the 'Well' of the House and sat on Dharna.

**(V) ADJOURNMENT OF THE SITTING :**

The sitting of the House was adjourned for ten minutes (from 3:42 P.M. to 3:52 P.M.) to reassemble.

**(VI) CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES :**

- (i) On account of the Honourable member **Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla** not being present in the House, the Calling Attention Notice (S. No. 7) given by her, could not be moved.
- (ii) The Calling Attention Notices (S. Nos. 12 and 13) given notices of by the Honourable Member, **Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla** were not moved by the Member.

**(VII) FIRST REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE :**

- (i) The Honourable Speaker presented to the House the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee as regards the business to be transacted from the 5th March, 2001 to the 28th March, 2001.

- (ii) The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved the following motion :--

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**(VIII) PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE :**

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs laid the Papers on the Table of the House as contained in the List of Business at S.Nos. 1 to 27 of item No. 2.

**(IX) DISCUSSION ON GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS :**

Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal, M.L.A. moved the following motion :—

"that an Address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :—

"That the Members of this House assembled in this Session are deeply grateful to the Governor for the Address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on 1st March, 2001".

However, on account of there being a *Dharna* staged by some Members in the Well of the House and there being pandemonium, the Honourable Member could not present his views on the Motion of Thanks.

The Hon'ble Member Shri Arunesh Kumar seconded the Motion but he too could not present his views on account of there being much pandemonium in the House.

The House was, then adjourned till 2.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 7th March, 2001.

**BULLETIN NO. 3***Wednesday the 7th March, 2001***(From 2:30 P.M. to 5:41 P.M.)****I. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY :**

The Secretary made an announcement in the House that as the Honourable Speaker was busy, the Honourable Deputy Speaker will occupy the Chair.

**II. QUESTIONS :**

(a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not put	Post-poned	Number of of Supplementaries
20	10	3	2	35

The remaining Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the **Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly)**. It was also decided that Supplementary Questions pertaining to Starred Question No. 2245 will be resumed on the next sitting (to be held on the 13th March, 2001).

Starred Questions No. 2244 and 2279 were postponed for the sitting to be held on the 13th March, 2001 and 14th March, 2001, respectively.

(b) Unstarred : 12

(Honourable Speaker occupied the Chair at 3:04 p.m.)

**III. ANNOUNCEMENT BY HON. SPEAKER :**

The Honourable Speaker was pleased to announce in the House that a Delegation from the Canadian Parliament was amongst us this day to watch the proceedings of the House and that we welcome the Members of the Delegation.

#### IV. STATEMENT BY THE CHIEF MINISTER REGARDING MATTERS RAISED DURING THE 'ZERO HOUR' :

The Chief Minister gave a statement in the House that he has equal affinity for all the regions of Punjab and that he regards all the brethren equally. That is why the Government of Punjab has sanctioned construction of roads to the extent of 20 kilometres in all the constituencies and additionally, a sum of rupees twenty lakh has been given to each constituency for being spent on developmental works there, and that approximately 60 to 70 lakh rupees have been earmarked for rural development. In addition to this even in the urban areas, a sum of rupees one crore has been allocated on population basis, for the development thereof.

#### V. DHARNA :

On account of the interest of the Opposition Parties not being watched by the Government, all the Members of the Congress Party present in the House, Members of the C.P.I. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, Member of the B.S.P. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, Member of Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann) Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar and Members of Shiromani Akali Dal Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Smt. Daljit Kaur, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli and Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, came into the "Well of the House" and sat on a Dharna there.

#### VI. ADJOURNMENT OF THE SITTING :

As there was pandemonium in the House on account of Dharna given by the Members and there being much noise due to the slogans being raised by them, the House was adjourned for an hour (from 4:03 p.m. to 5:02 p.m.) to re-assemble thereafter.

#### VII. DHARNA :

On account of the interest of the Opposition Parties not being watched by the Government, all the Members of the Congress Party present in the House, Members of the C.P.I. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, Member of

the B.S.P. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, Member of Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann) Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar and Members of Shiromani Akali Dal Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Smt. Daljit Kaur, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli and Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, came into the "Well of the House" and sat on a *Dharna* there.

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT OF THE SITTING :

As there was pandemonium in the House on account of *Dharna* given by the Members and there being much noise due to the slogans being raised by them, the House was adjourned for half an hour (from 5:04 p.m. to 5.34 p.m.) to re-assemble thereafter.

#### IX. DHARNA :

On account of the interest of the Opposition Parties not being watched by the Government, all the Members of the Congress Party present in the House, Members of the C.P.I. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta, Member of the B.S.P. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, Member of Shiromani Akali Dal (Mann) Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar and Members of Shiromani Akali Dal Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria, Smt. Daljit Kaur, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli and Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, came into the "Well of the House" and sat on a *Dharna* there.

As there was pandemonium in the House on account of *Dharna* given by the Members and there being much noise due to the slogans being raised by them, the House was adjourned till 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, the 13th March, 2001.

## BULLETIN NO. 4

Tuesday, the 13th March, 2001

(From 2.30 P.M. to 6.12 P.M.)

## I. QUESTIONS :

At the outset, as per decision taken on the 7th March, 2000 Starred Question No. 2245 was taken up but no supplementary was put thereon. Thereafter, the postponed starred Question No. 2244 was taken up, on which three supplementaries were asked. Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

## (a) Starred :

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	11	..	2	38

The remaining Questions on the Order Paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*).

The starred Question No. 2236 regarding absorption of surplus employees of Co-Operative Sugar Mill, Budhlada and Starred Question No. 2258 regarding financial position of State Co-Operative Banks, were decided to be taken up on 21st March, 2001 before taking up the regular list of Starred Questions for that day.

Supplementaries to the Starred Questions No. 2230 and 2291 were decided to be taken up on 14th March, 2001 before taking up the regular list of Starred Questions for that day.



(b) Unstarred : 10

## II. STATEMENT BY THE CHIEF MINISTER ON THE ISSUE RAISED DURING THE "ZERO HOUR" :

The Chief Minister made a statement in the House with reference to a matter raised during the "Zero Hour" that there were many sources from which funds are provided to each constituency, and that funds were also allocated for the Rural Development. But the Government has decided that funds may be allocated to each of the Constituency. As regards the issue raised with regard to the laying of Foundation Stones for various works, he stated that instructions have been issued to all the officers concerned that the said Foundation Stone should be laid by a Minister or by an M.L.A. Further, he also made it clear that a high-ranking Officer may also lay the Foundation Stones, but nobody else would be allowed to do so.

## III. ADJOURNMENT OF THE SITTING :

As there was pandemonium in the House on account of *Dharna* given by the Members and there being much noise due to the slogans being raised by them, the House was adjourned first from 4.34 P.M. to 5.00 P.M., then from 5.01 to 5.30 P.M. and again from 5.33 P.M. to 5.48 P.M.

## IV. SUSPENSION OF MEMBERS FROM THE HOUSE :

Immediately after the Question Hour, the following Members rose from their seats and started interrupting the proceedings of the House repeatedly in spite of requests made by the Chair. All these Members raised slogans in the "Well of the House", against the way of working of the Government. The Chair requested them many times, but they continued to interrupt the proceedings of the House. Due to this reason, a resolution was moved by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs for their suspension from the House for remaining period of the Session, which was approved by the House, and following Members were suspended :—

1. Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (Indian National Congress)
2. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar "



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|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 3. Smt. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal       | (Indian National Congress) |
| 4. Dr. Harbans Lal                  | "                          |
| 5. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra        | "                          |
| 6. Sardar Gurbachan Singh Dirba     | "                          |
| 7. Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pradhan | "                          |
| 8. Sardar Amrik Singh Dhillon       | "                          |
| 9. Shri Rakesh Pandey               | "                          |
| 10. Sardar Tej Parkash Singh        | "                          |
| 11. Sardar Harminder Singh Jassi    | "                          |
| 12. Sardar Amarjit Singh Samra      | "                          |
| 13. Sardar Kanwaljit Singh Lally    | "                          |
| 14. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi      | (Communist Party of India) |
| 15. Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta      | "                          |
| 16. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra      | (Bahujan Samaj Party)      |
| 17. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar   | (Shiromani Akali Dal-Mann) |
| 18. Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira      | (Shiromani Akali Dal)      |
| 19. Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala      | "                          |
| 20. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria        | "                          |
| 21. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla       | "                          |

*The House then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 14th March, 2001.*

**BULLETIN NO. 5**

Wednesday, the 14th March, 2001

(From 10.00 A.M. to 3.34 P.M.)

**I. QUESTIONS :**

At the outset, as per decision taken on the 13th March, 2001 Starred Questions No. 2230 and 2291 were taken up but no supplementary was put as the Members concerned were not present in the House. Thereafter, Starred Question No. 2279 which was postponed as per decision taken on the 7th March, 2001 was not put in the House.

Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

**(a) Starred :**

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not Put	Post-poned	Number of Supplementaries
20	8	10	1	28

The Hon'ble Speaker ordered that the supplementaries on the Starred Questions No. 2328, 2329 and 2330 would be allowed to be asked in the sitting of 15th March, 2001. Starred Question No. 2340 was postponed for the sitting to be held on the 15th March, 2001.

2. The Hon'ble Co-operation Minister gave a revised reply to Starred Question No. 2196 entered in the Question list for 5th March, 2001, and one supplementary was put on this Question.

**(b) Short Notice Question :**

The short Notice Starred Question No. 2415 was put by Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, and the Agriculture Minister gave a reply thereto.

(c) Unstarred : 17

## II. CONGRATULATION MOTION :

The Higher Education Minister, Master Mohan Lal, moved a motion in the House for honouring Shri Gopi Chand and Shri Harbhajan Singh who have made laudable achievements in the field of sports.

## III. STATEMENT BY THE CHIEF MINISTER :

The Hon'ble Chief Minister, Punjab, congratulated Shri Gopi Chand and Shri Harbhajan Singh who have made laudable achievements in the field of sports. He also made an announcement to the effect that a Cash Award of Rs. 2 lakh each would be given by the State Government to these personalities. He further assured that they would be accorded honour by the State. The Chief Minister assured the House to provide them employment according to their status.

## IV. WALKOUT :

Sardar Ravi Inder Singh made some remarks regarding suspension of some Members from the House on 13th March, 2001, and thereafter Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa and Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura M.L.As. also joined themselves with suspended Members and staged a walk-out from the House.

## V. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES :

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 17) given by Shri Romesh Chander Dogra, M.L.A. regarding resentment amongst the farmer community because of the total loss of wheat crop in Kandi Area in District Hoshiarpur due to drought, was admitted.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 22) given by Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar, Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh and Sardar Makhan Singh M.L.As. regarding irregular power supply to the Tubewells in

the State resulting in damage to Rabi Crops due to drought, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Minister for power made a statement in this behalf.

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 28) given by Com. Hardev Singh Arshi, M.L.A. regarding adverse affect on the education of the student community at the time of ensuing examinations as a result of deployment of the teachers in non-educational works such as Census, could not be presented as the Member concerned was not present in the House.

#### **VI. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE :**

The Hon'ble Minister for Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table of the House the papers enlisted at Serial No. 1 to 5 in the list of business regarding different departments of the State/Corporations.

#### **VII. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS :**

Sardar Jitinder Singh Kariha, a Member of the Committee on Public Accounts presented the 130th Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1988-89, 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1995-96 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1988-89, 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1995-96 (Revenue Receipts) relating to the Department of Revenue, and 131st Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the year 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1995-96 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1995-96 (Revenue Receipts) relating to the Department of Transport.

#### **VIII RESUMPTION OF DISCUSSION ON GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS :**

The following motion was moved by Sardar Manpreet Singh Badal on the 5th March, 2001 :--

That an address be presented to the Governor in the following terms :--

"That the Members of this House assembled in this session are deeply grateful to

the Governor for the address which he has been pleased to deliver to the House on the 1st March, 2001."

and while doing so, he spoke for 36 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Members participated in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon'ble Member	Time
1.	Sh. Arunesh Kumar (Bhartiya Janata Party)	14 Minutes
2.	Sardar Makhan Singh (Shiromani Akali Dal)	31 Minutes
3.	Capt. Balbir Singh Bath (Shiromani Akali Dal)	11 Minutes
4.	Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla (Bhartiya Janata Party)	12 Minutes
5.	Sh. Jagdish Sawhney (Bhartiya Janata Party)	11 Minutes
6.	Choudhary Mohan Lal (Shiromani Akali Dal)	09 Minutes
7.	S. Gurdip Singh Bhullar (Shiromani Akali Dal)	15 Minutes

By way of reply, the Hon'ble Chief Minister spoke for one hour and 35 minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of House and carried unanimously.

#### IX EXTENSION OF TIME :

The time of the sitting, with the consent of the House was extended till the reply of the Chief Minister on the discussion on the Governor's Address was over.

The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 11.21 A.M. to 11.26 A.M. and then from 11.33 A.M. to 1:42 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 15th March, 2001.

## SPECIAL BULLETIN NO. 1

## General Discussion on Governor's Address :

Discussion on the motion of Thanks to the Governor's Address took place on four days (lasting twelve hours)

Details of the time taken by the various Parties/Groups are as under :--

Sl. Party/Group No.	No. of Members who took part in the discussion	Time Taken Hrs. Mts.
1. Treasury Benches (Shiromani Akali Dal and Bhartiya Janata Party)	9	3-154
2. Indian National Congress	--	--
3. Communist Paty of India	--	--
4. Bahujan Samaj Party	--	--
5. Shiromani Akali Dal	--	--
6. Independent	--	--

**Note :** 1. The time taken by the Hon'ble Speaker to move the motion for the vote of the House is not included in this.

2. Time taken by the Treasury Benches also includes the time taken by the Chief Minister, who spoke for one Hour and Thirty-five minutes.

## BULLETIN NO. 6

Thursday, the 15th March, 2001

(From 10.00 A.M. to 2.39 P.M.)

## 1. QUESTIONS

At the outset, as per decision taken on the 14th March, 2001, ten supplementaries were put on Starred Questions No. 2328, 2329 and 2330. Thereafter, three supplementaries were put on Starred Question No. 2340 that was postponed during the sitting held on 14th March, 2001. Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

## (a) Starred :

Total No. of Ques- tions on the Order Paper	Answered up	Not taken	Postponed	Number of Supplemen- taries
20	7	8	--	17

The remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly).

The Honourable Speaker ordered that the supplementaries on the Starred Question No. 2282 would be allowed to be asked in the sitting of 19th March, 2001.

## (b) Unstarred: 4

## II. WALK OUTS

1. On not being allowed time for holding discussion on the issue of corruption prevalent in the country, the Member of Indian National Congress, Shri Avtar Henry staged a walk-out from the House.

2. The Members of Shiroman' Akali Dal, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Smt. Daljit Kaur and Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura staged a walk-out from the House as a protest against the negligence shown by the Government on the issue of ending the suspension of the Members suspended.

### III. CALL ATTENTION NOTICE

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 18) given by Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla regarding supply of contaminated drinking water in about 50 Mohallas in Amritsar for the last one month resulting in apprehension of breaking out of diseases like gastroenteritis and jaundice on a large scale, was admitted.

*The Hon'ble Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister made a statement.*

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 19) given by Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla regarding difficult situation being faced by the patients at Guru Nank Dev Hospital, Amritsar as the Scanning and Ultra-Sound machines are out of order, was admitted.

*The Hon'ble Medical Education Minister made a statement.*

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 24) given by Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh, Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar, Sardar Makhan Singh regarding difficulties being faced by the students due to non-supply of single phase power beyond the red line (Lal Dora) in the state, was admitted.

*The Hon'ble Power Minister made a statement.*

### IV. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

The Hon'ble Minister for Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table of the House the paper enlisted at Sr. No. 1 and 2 in the List of Business regarding various Departments and Corporations of the State Government.



## V. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

### 1. Committee on Public Undertakings

The Chairman of the Committee on Public Undertakings, Sardar Makhan Singh presented the 67th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 2000-2001, on the General Working relating to the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board.

### 2. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes.

The Chairman of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes, Shri Chunni Lal Bhagat presented the 27th Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 2000-2001 in respect of the reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in services and Posts in respect of the Department of Animal Husbandry.

### 3. Committee on Public Accounts

Sardar Jitinder Singh Kariha, a Member of the Committee on Public Accounts, presented 132nd Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1988-1989 and 1989-90 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year 1988-89 and 1989-90 (Revenue Receipts) relating to the Department of Excise and Taxation and 133rd Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the Appropriation Accounts of the Government of Punjab for the years 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 and the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the years 1991-92 (Civil), 1992-93 (Civil), 1993-94 (Civil), 1994-95 (Civil) relating to Health and Family Welfare and Food and Supplies Departments.

## VI. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

1. The Hon'ble Finance Minister presented to the House the Supplementary Demands for the Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 2000-2001.

2. The Chairman, Committee on Estimates, S. Gurdip Singh Bhullar, presented to the House the report of the Committee on Estimates on the Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 2000-2001.

## VII. RESOLUTIONS

The Resolution given notice of by Hon'ble Members Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta could not be taken up due to the absence of the Members from the House.

The Resolution No.3 given notice of by Hon'ble Member Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh and Shri Jagdish Sawhney, (under Sr. No. 6 of the List of Business), was moved by Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh.

He spoke for 13 minutes while doing so.

Thereafter, the following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time Taken
1.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney	11 minutes
2.	Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar	13 minutes
3.	Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla	16 minutes
4.	Hon. Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Madan Mohan Mittal)	16 minutes

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Time Taken
5.	Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal	22 minutes
6.	Sardar Makhan Singh	13 minutes
7.	Hon. Minister for Higher Secondary and Primary Education (S. Tota Singh)	12 minutes
8.	Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura	06 minutes
9.	Hon. Minister, Health and Family Welfare (Dr. Baldev Raj Chawla)	07 minutes
10.	Sardar Balwant Singh	03 minutes

Hon'ble Member S. Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh presented the amendment motion on the Resolution.

Amendment motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Amendment motion was presented before the House and carried unanimously.

### VIII. EXTENSION OF THE SITTING OF THE HOUSE

The time of the sitting, with the consent of the House, was extended for 15 minutes.

The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker, first occupied the Chair from 12:01 P.M. to 2:04 P.M. and again from 2:08 P.M. to 2:20 P.M.

Captain Balbir Singh Bath, a Member of the Panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 2:04 P.M. to 2:07 P.M.

The House then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on 16th March, 2001.

**BULLETIN NO. 7**

Friday, the 16th March, 2001

(From 10:00 A.M. to 11:59 A.M.)

**I. QUESTIONS :****(a) Starred Questions :**

Total No. of Ques- tions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not taken up	Postponed	Number of Supplemen- taries
20	8	9	2	27

Starred Question No. 2397 was postponed for the sitting to be held on the 19th March, 2001

Starred Question No. 2374 was referred to the Transport Department.

**(b) Unstarred : 4****II. STATEMENT BY THE HON'BLE CHIEF MINISTER ON THE ISSUE RAISED BY THE HON'BLE MEMBERS DURING THE 'ZERO HOUR'.**

On an issue raised by the Hon'ble Members during the 'Zero Hour', the Hon'ble Chief Minister stated that the Centre Government as well as the Punjab Government is committed to help the farmers and that a sum of Rs. 50 Crore is to be contributed by the Centre Government and a sum of Rs. 50 Crore is to be contributed by the Punjab Government in this regard. Regarding raising the minimum support price, the Hon'ble Chief Minister stated that he met the Prime Minister in this connection and in this way he is whole-heartedly helping the farmers of the State.

### III. CALL ATTENTION NOTICE

Call Attention Notice (No:34) given by Sardar Makhan Singh, M.L.A. and Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh, M.L.A. regarding discrimination against the Punjabi language by the U.T. Administration was admitted.

*The Hon'ble Chief Minister made a statement.*

### IV. SECOND REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. The Hon'ble Speaker presented the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee to the House on the Programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha from 16th March, 2001 to 27th March, 2001.

2. The Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved the following motion :--

*"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the Second Report of the Business Advisory Committee".*

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### V. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

Supplementary Demands for the Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab for the year 2000-2001

And

Statement by the Finance Minister on the Financial Situation of the Government of Punjab.

1. Discussion on the Estimates of the Expenditure charged on the Revenue of the State.
2. Voting on the Demands for Supplementary Grants.

All Demands on the Order Paper were deemed to have been read together and moved.

No Member rose to speak on the Demands.

The Hon'ble Finance Minister made a Statement on the Financial Situation of the Government of Punjab.

Demand No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26 and 30 were put one by one to the vote of the House and carried.

## VI. WALK-OUT

As a protest against not having been allowed to raise a point of order by the Hon'ble Speaker during the Supplementary Demands for Grants for Expenditure of the Government of Punjab and Statement by the Finance Minister on the Financial Situation of the Government of Punjab, the Hon'ble Members of Shiromani Akali Dal, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Bibi Daljit Kaur and Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, staged a walk-out from the House.

## VII. PUNJAB APPROPRIATION (NO. 1) BILL, 2001

The Finance Minister introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2001 and also moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2001 be taken into consideration at once.

No member rose to speak on the Motion.

The Motion under consideration was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

### Clause-2

Clause 2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### Clause-3

Clause 3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Schedule**

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause-1**

Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Finance Minister moved that the Punjab Appropriation (No. 1) Bill, 2001 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The House then adjourned till 11.00 A.M. on Monday, the 19th March, 2001.

**BULLETIN NO. 8**

Monday, the 19th March, 2001

(From 11.00 A.M. to 1.08 P.M.)

**I. QUESTIONS :**

As per decision taken in the sitting held on the 15th March, 2001, Supplementaries were to be asked on Starred Question No. 2282, but as the Hon. Member concerned was not present in the House, no Supplementary was put.

Thereafter, Starred Question No. 2397, postponed from the List of Starred Questions for the 16th March, 2001, could not be put as the Hon. Member concerned was not present in the House.

Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

**(a) Starred Questions :**

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not taken up	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries
20	6	11	3	17

The Hon'ble Speaker ordered that Starred Question No. 2283 be postponed for the sitting to be held on the 22nd March, 2001.

**(b) Unstarred : 7****II. WALK-OUT**

On account of extension having been granted during the Question Hour in respect of replies to the Questions given notice of by Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, the Hon. Member staged a Walk-out in protest.

**III. PRESENTATION OF BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002**

The Honourable Finance Minister presented the Budget Estimates for the year 2001-2002.

Thereafter, the House adjourned till 2.30 P.M. on Wednesday, the 21st March, 2001.



**BULLETIN NO. 9***Wednesday, the 21st March, 2001**(From 2.30 P.M. to 5.34 P.M.)***I. QUESTIONS :****(a) Starred :**

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Ans- wered	Not Taken up	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supple- mentaries
Postponed-6	2	3	0	1	8
Regular-20	10	9	1	0	24

**(b) Unstarred : 4****II. WALK-OUT :**

As a protest against Press Photographers not having been allowed to enter the Lobby, the Members of Shiromani Akali Dal, Sardar Ravi Inder Singh, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi, Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa, Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra, Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal and Bibi Daljit Kaur, staged a Walk-out from the House.

**III. CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES :**

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 36 and 39) regarding spread of Rinderpest and Mouth and Foot disease amongst cattle in the State, given by Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar, Sardar Makhan Singh and Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh, M.L.As., was admitted.

*The Hon. Minister for Animal Husbandry made a statement in this behalf.*

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 37) regarding mass-scale copying being indulged into by the candidates appearing in the examinations being conducted by the Punjab School Education Board since 12th March, 2001, given by Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A., was admitted.

*The Hon. Minister for Education made a statement in this behalf.*

3. Call Attention Notice (No. 38) regarding charging of Capitation Fees by the managements of the institutions in the State from the students seeking admission in the Nursing Courses, given by Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A., was admitted.

*The Hon. Minister for Medical Education and Research made a statement in this behalf.*

#### IV. PRESENTATION OF REPORT :

Chairman, Committee on Estimates, Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 2000-2001 in respect of the Department of Hospitality.

#### V. BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002 :

General discussion on the Budget Estimates for the year 2001-2002.

While participating in the discussion on the Budget Estimates, the following Hon. Members spoke for the time given against each :--

Sl. No.	Name of the Member	Time
1.	Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal	10 minutes
2.	Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta	13 minutes
3.	Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi	07 minutes
4.	Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura	05 minutes
5.	Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla	07 minutes
6.	Shri Jagdish Sawhney	06 minutes

Hon. Minister for Finance, by way of reply, spoke for 21 minutes.

#### VI. WALK-OUT :

Alleging that the traditions of democracy were being murdered, Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura, Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi and Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta, while participating in the discussion, staged a walk-out from the House as a protest.

The House was adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 22nd March, 2001.

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**BULLETIN NO. 10***Thursday, the 22nd March, 2001**(From 10.00 A.M. to 2.38 P.M.)***I. QUESTIONS****(a) Starred :**

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Ans- wered	Not taken up	Postponed	Not put	Number of Supplemen- taries
Postponed 4	2	..	2	..	20
Regular 20	7	10	1	1	24

The remaining Starred Questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the **Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha** (Punjab Legislative Assembly).

The Hon. Speaker ordered that the supplementaries on the Starred Question Nos. 2283 and 2241 would be allowed to be asked in the sitting of 26th March, 2001.

Short Notice Question No. 2441 was taken up and one supplementary was asked on it.

**II. WALK-OUT**

In resentment against having been forbidden by the Hon'ble Speaker to interrupt the proceedings of the House, Hon'ble Member, Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla staged a walk-out from the House.

**III. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE HON. SPEAKER**

On the issue raised by the Hon. Member, Sardar Ravi Inder Singh as regards the Press Photographers not having been allowed in the Lobby, the Hon'ble

Speaker stated that as per convention, Cameramen are allowed inside the House only when the Governor is to Address the House or the Hon'ble Finance Minister is to present the Budget Estimates. If any Member has any resentment or objection, he can talk to the media-persons or get himself photographed outside the Assembly precincts, but this cannot be allowed within the Vidhan Bhavan (Assembly Complex).

#### IV. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 47) given by Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar regarding discontentment amongst people in general especially ruralities in the State due to shortage of teachers in the Schools resulting in adverse affect on the education of the students, was admitted.

*The Hon'ble Education Minister made a statement.*

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 48) given by Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar regarding apprehension of winding up of Science Group from Guru Gobind Singh Government College, Jandiala (Jalandhar), was admitted.

*The Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education made a statement.*

#### V. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

The Hon'ble Minister for Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table of the House, the Punjab Motor Vehicles (First Amendment) Rules, 2001, as required under Section 212 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.

#### VI. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

##### (a) Committee on Public Accounts:

Sardar Sadhu Singh Payal, a Member of the Committee on Public Accounts presented to the House, Reports of the Committee enlisted at Sr. Nos. 1 to 4 in the List of Business.

**(b) Committee on Public Undertakings:**

The Chairman of the Committee on the Public Undertakings, Sardar Makhan Singh presented the 68th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the years 1986-87 and 1987-88 (Commercial) relating to the Punjab State Industrial Development Corporation Limited.

**(c) Committee on Estimates:**

The Chairman of the Committee on Estimates, Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar, presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 2000-2001 in respect of Medical Education and Research Department, Punjab.

**(d) Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes:**

Shri Ram Lal, a Member of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes, presented the 28th Report of the Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes for the year 2000-2001, in respect of the reservation for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes in Services and Posts in respect of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited (PUNSUP).

**(e) Committee on Papers laid/To be laid on the Table:**

The Chairman of the Committee on Papers laid/To be laid on the Table, Shri Jagdish Sawhney, presented the 12th Report of the Committee on Papers laid/To be laid on the Table for the year 2000-2001

**(f) Committee on Subordinate Legislation:**

Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal, a Member of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation presented the 30th Report of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation for the year 2000-2001.

## VII. RESOLUTIONS

The Hon'ble Member Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar, M.L.A., moved the following Resolution :—

"This House unanimously resolves to condemn the senseless act of Operation Blue Star undertaken at Sri Harmandir Sahib, Amritsar in June, 1984 wherein the innocent devotees were martyred in the Holy precincts of Sri Harmandir Sahib, Amritsar the Holiest of the Holy and Religious places in the World, which had a long and crushing effect on the psyche of the humanity as a whole. This House strongly recommends to the State Government to convey the feelings of this House to the Central Government."

He spoke for 23 minutes while doing so.

Thereafter, the following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :—

S. No	Name of Member	Time Taken
1.	Sardar Maheshinder Grewal	17 minutes
2.	Hon'ble Finance Minister (Captain Kanwaljit Singh)	26 minutes
3.	Sardar Balwant Singh	08 minutes
4.	Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta	19 minutes
5.	Hon'ble Minister for Science and Tech. Legal and Legislative Affairs and justice (Shri Chiranji Lal Garg)	16 minutes
6.	Hon'ble Minister for Higher and Primary Education (Sardar Tota Singh)	16 minutes
7.	Hon'ble Agriculture Minister (Sardar Gurdev Singh Badal)	16 minutes
8.	Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi	06 minutes
9.	Hon'ble Minister, Food and supplies and Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Madan Mohan Mittal)	02 minutes

Hon'ble Member S. Gurdip Singh Bhullar presented the amendment motion on the Resolution.

Amendment motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Amendment motion was presented before the house and carried unanimously.

#### VIII. OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved the following Resolution :--

*"This House strongly condemns the heinous crime committed by certain anti-social elements at Amritsar by throwing pork and burning of a religious book (The Holy Quran) at a place of Worship, which have hurt the religious sentiments of the minority community, and which aims at shattering our social fabric and communal harmony. This House appreciates the strong and immediate measures adopted by the Government to apprehend the culprits responsible for perpetrating these incidents.*

*On earlier occasions also, such miscreants have tried to shatter our social fabric by committing such heinous crimes for gaining political mileage that resulted in the emergence of militancy in the State and many innocent people lost their lives. I strongly condemn the entities gaining political mileage through hatching such hateful conspiracies and appeal to the peace loving people to remain vigil of such entities and to safeguard their mutual fraternity and peace".*

The Resolution was placed before the House and carried unanimously.

#### IX. EXTENSION OF THE SITTING OF THE HOUSE

The time of sitting, with the consent of the House, was extended till the Business on the Order Paper was completed.

Captain Balbir Singh Bath, a Member of the panel of Chairmen occupied the Chair from 11.43 A.M. to 2.17 P.M.

The House was adjourned till 2.30 P.M. on 26th March, 2001.



**BULLETIN NO. 11****Monday, the 26th March, 2001****(From 2.30 P.M. to 4.24 P.M.)****I. QUESTIONS :**

At the outset, three supplementaries were put on Starred Question No. 2204. Thereafter, postponed Starred Questions No. 2283 and 2241 were taken. Three and two supplementaries were put thereon respectively.

Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

**(a) Starred :**

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not taken	Post- poned	Not put	With- drawn	Number of Supplemen- taries
20	8	10	1	--	1	26

The Member concerned withdrew Starred Question No. 2425.

The Hon. Speaker ordered that the supplementaries on the Starred Question No. 2376 and Starred Question No. 2432 would be allowed to be asked in the sitting of 27th March, 2001.

**(b) Unstarred : 6****II. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES :**

1. Call Attention Notice (No. 49) given by Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. regarding difficulties being faced by the students due to non-stop use of loud speakers at high volume near the Educational Institutions and Examination Centres in the State, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister made a statement in this regard.

2. Call Attention Notice (No. 50) given by Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla, M.L.A. regarding

increasing incidents of firing bullet shots from licensed or unlicensed arms on the occasion of marriages and other functions resulting in accidental killings or grievous injuries in the State, was admitted.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister made a statement in this regard.

### III. RESOLUTION :

The Hon'ble Chief Minister moved the following Resolution :

"This House strongly condemns the utterances of the President of All India Congress Party made at Congress Session at Bangalore labelling Hon. Shri Atal Behari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of India, a proven staunch Nationalist as a traitor, having least regard to his age-long service to the Nation and his unquestionable leadership of the masses. She has hit below the belt that has proven her political immaturity and incapacity of understanding the National psyche being of a foreign origin. Such a statement on the part of a President of a National Party is not only irresponsible but is also unethical and hence unwarranted, and is therefore, condemned in strongest terms."

The Resolution was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### IV. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS :

1. Sardar Jitinder Singh Kariha, a Member of the Committee on Public Accounts presented the 138th Report of the Public Accounts Committee relating to the Department of Rural Development and Panchayats for the year 1996-97.

2. The Chairman Committee on Public Undertakings, Sardar Makhan Singh presented the :--

- (i) 69th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 2000-2001 relating to the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited, Punjab Land

Development and Reclamation Corporation Limited, Punjab Poultry Development Corporation Limited, PEPSU Road Transport Corporation and Punjab Digital Industrial Systems Limited; and

- (ii) 70th Report of the Committee on Public Undertakings for the year 2000-2001 on the General working relating to the PEPSU Road Transport Corporation.

3. Capt. Balbir Singh Bath, a Member of the Committee on Estimates presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 2000-2001 in respect of P.W.D. (B&R), Punjab.

#### V. DISCUSSION AND VOTING ON DEMANDS FOR GRANTS RELATING TO THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002 :

All the demands on the Order Paper were deemed to have been read and moved together.

Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla, MLA spoke for 20 minutes while taking part in the discussion.

The Finance Minister, by way of reply, spoke for 07 minutes.

All the demands on the Order Paper were, with the consent of the House, put to the vote of the House together and carried unanimously.

#### VI. FINANCIAL BUSINESS :

##### The Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2001

The Finance Minister introduced the Punjab Appropriation (No. 2) Bill, 2001 and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered Clause-wise.

##### Clause-2

Clause-2 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause-3**

Clause-3 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Schedule**

Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Clause-1**

Clause-1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**Title**

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Finance Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker occupied the Chair from 3.45 P.M. to 3.48 P.M.

The House was adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on 27th March, 2001.

## BULLETIN NO. 12

**Tuesday, the 27th March, 2001**

**(From 10.00 A.M. to 12.32 P.M.)**

### 1. QUESTIONS :

Starred Questions No. 2376, 2232, 2374 and 2432 could not be put as the Hon'ble Member concerned were not present in the House. Three supplementaries were asked on the postponed Starred Question No. 2300.

Thereafter, the regular list of Starred Questions was taken up.

Total No. of Questions on the Order Paper	Answered	Not taken up	Post-poned	Not put	Number of Supplementaries
16	3	11	1	1	9

### II. MOTION UNDER RULE 16 :

The Hon'ble Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved :--

"That the Vidhan Sabha (Legislative Assembly) at its rising this day shall stand adjourned sine-die."

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### III. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE :

The Hon'ble Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs Laid on the Table of the House the papers enlisted at Sr. No. 1 to 2 in the list of business regarding different departments of the State.

### IV. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS :

1. Chairman, Sardar Tota Singh (Higher Secondary and primary Education Minister) presented the Report of the Committee of the House to enquire into the Recruitment of Teachers made by the previous Government.

2. Shri Jagdish Sawhney, a Member of the Committee on Estimates presented the Report of the Committee on Estimates for the year 2000-2001 in respect of Health and Family Welfare Department, Punjab.
3. The Chairman of the Committee on the Government Assurances, S. Manmohan Singh Sathiala presented the 34th Report of the Committee on Government Assurances for the year 2000-2001.

**V. MOTION REGARDING CONSTITUTION OF ELECTED COMMITTEES FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002 :**

**The Hon. Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved that :--**

"Whereas the elections to the--

1. Committee on Public Accounts.
2. Committee on Estimates.
3. Committee on Public Undertakings ; and
4. Committee on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes.

For the year 2001-2002, are to be held before 31st March, 2001 ; and

Whereas the time left at the disposal of the House is extremely short and it is not possible to conduct in the normal course, the election to these Committees ;

Now, Therefore, this House authorises the Speaker, Punjab Vidhan Sabha, to nominate the members of the aforesaid Committees for the aforesaid year, keeping in view the proportionate strength of various parties/groups in the House ;

This House further resolves that for the above purpose, the rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) relating to the elections to the said Committees for the year

2001-2002 which are inconsistent with or contrary to the above resolution shall stand suspended.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

## VI. OFFICIAL RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 65 OF THE ELECTRICITY (SUPPLY) ACT, 1948

The Hon'ble Power Minister, S. Sikander Singh Maluka moved the following Resolution:--

**"Whereas** in pursuance of the provisions of sub-section (3) of Section 65 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 (Central Act No. 54 of 1948), the Government of Punjab intends to raise the limit of maximum amount, which the Punjab State Electricity Board may at any time, have on loan under sub-section (1) of Section 65 of the said Act, from the existing limit of Rs. 4,000 Crore, fixed with the approval of the Vidhan Sabha,--vide Government of Punjab, Department of Irrigation and Power Memo No. 2/2/95-PE(5)/11691, dated 23rd June, 2000, to Rs. 5,000 Crores (Rupees Five Thousand Crore only) which can be done by it with the approval of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

**Now, Therefore,** it is resolved and this House does hereby accord its approval to the fixing of the sum of Rs. 5,000 Crores (Rupees Five Thousand Crore only) as the maximum amount which the Punjab State Electricity Board may at any time have on loan under sub-section (1) of Section 65 of the Act, aforesaid."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

## VII. LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS :

### 1. The Punjab State Commission for Women Bill, 2001

The Minister for Social Security and Development of Women and Children introduced the Punjab State Commission for Women Bill, 2001 and also moved that this bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each :--

Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla	05 minutes
Shri Ram Lal	02 minutes
Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal	21 minutes
Shri Jagdish Sawhney	03 minutes
Sardar Makhan Singh	04 minutes

The Minister for Social Security and Development of Women and Children by way of reply spoke for 2 minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter the Bill was considered Clause-wise.

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clauses 2 to 22 were put together to the vote of the House due to no amendment therein and carried.

Sub-clause (1) of clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Minister for Social Security and Development of Women and Children moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**2. The Punjab Women and Children Development and Welfare Corporation (Repeal) Bill, 2001.**  
(Replacing Ordinance)

The Minister for Social Security and Development of Women and Children introduced the Punjab Women and Children Development and Welfare Corporation (Repeal) Bill, 2001 (Replacing Ordinance) and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.



The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Then, the Bill was considered Clause-wise.

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clauses 2 and 3 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Minister for Social Security and Development of Women and Children moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### 3. THE INDIAN STAMP (PUNJAB AMENDMENT) BILL, 2001.

The Minister for Revenue and Rehabilitation introduced the Indian Stamp (Punjab Amendment) Bill, 2001 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Then, the Bill was considered Clause-wise.

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clauses 2, 3 and 4 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Revenue and Rehabilitation Minister moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 4. THE PUNJAB MOTOR VEHICLE TAXATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2001 *(Replacing Ordinance)*

The Hon'ble Minister for Parliamentary Affairs introduced the Punjab Motor Vehicle Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 2001 *(Replacing Ordinance)* and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Then the Bill was considered Clause-wise.

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clauses 2 and 3 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### 5. THE PUNJAB SCHEDULED CASTES LAND DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCE CORPORATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2001.

The Minister for Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes introduced the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2001 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Then, the Bill was considered Clause-wise.

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clauses 2 and 3 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

Sub Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Welfare of the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes moved that the Bill be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 6. THE PUNJAB BACKWARD CLASSES LAND DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCE CORPORATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2001 .

The Minister for Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes introduced the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2001 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

Motion was put to the vote House and carried.

Then, the Bill was considered Clause-wise.

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clauses 2 and 3 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

Sub-Clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon. Minister for Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes moved that the Bill be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### 7. THE EAST PUNJAB URBAN RENT RESTRICTION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2001 (Replacing Ordinance)

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs introduced the East Punjab Urban Rent Restriction (Amendment) Bill, 2001 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Then, the Bill was considered Clause-wise.

Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clauses 2 to 7 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Bill be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### 8. THE SALARIES OF THE PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SPEAKER AND DEPUTY SPEAKER (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2001.

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs introduced The Salaries of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Speaker and Deputy Speaker (Amendment) Bill, 2001 and also moved that the bill be taken into consideration at once.

While doing so he spoke for 3 minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Then, the Bill was considered Clause-wise.

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clauses 2 to 4 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Title was put to the vote of House and carried.

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Bill be passed.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The House, then, adjourned *sine die*.

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**APPENDIX-II****32. COMMITTEES****(i) Elected Committees****I. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR  
2001-2002**

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 10th April, 2001, in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on the 27th March, 2001 )

1. Shri Harminder Singh Jassi
2. Sardar Gurcharan Singh Dirba
3. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi
4. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria
5. Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira
6. Sardar Jitinder Singh Kariha
7. Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra
8. Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal
9. Sardar Mantar Singh Brar
10. Sardar Raj Mohinder Singh
11. Doctor Ram Kumar Goel
12. Sardar Sadhu Singh Payal
13. Sardar Sher Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed **Shri Harminder Singh Jassi** as Chairman of the Committee.

## II. COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 10th April, 2001, in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on the 27th March, 2001 )

1. Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar
2. Jathedar Ajaypal Singh Mirankot
3. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar
4. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
5. Captain Balbir Singh Bath
6. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla
7. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu
8. Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra
9. Shri Jagdish Sawhney
10. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla
11. Sardar Parminder Singh Dhindsa
12. Smt. Roop Rani
13. Sardar Tej Parkash Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed **Sardar Gurdip Singh Bhullar** as Chairman of the Committee.

### III. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 10th April, 2001, in pursuance of the Motion passed by the House on the 27th March, 2001 )

1. Sardar Makhan Singh
2. Sardar Amrik Singh Dhillon
3. Shri Arunesh Shakar
4. Capt. Balbir Singh Bath
5. Sardar Dhanwant Singh
6. Bhai Harnirpal Singh
7. Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta
8. Sardar Manmohan Singh
9. Sardar Paramjit Singh
10. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra
11. Sardar Sital Singh
12. Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh
13. Sardar Vir Singh Lopoke

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed **Sardar Makhan Singh** as Chairman of the Committee.



#### IV. COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES, SCHEDULED TRIBES AND BACKWARD CLASSES FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002

(Nominated by the Speaker on the 10th April, 2001, in Procedure of the Motion passed by the House on the 27th March, 2001 )

1. Shri Chuni Lal Bhagat
2. Comrade Ajaib Singh Raunta
3. Sardar Bachan Singh Cheema
- \*4. Sardar Balbir Singh Nathana
5. Sardar Balvir Singh Bhadaur
6. Sardar Balwant Singh
7. Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa
8. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu
9. Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana
10. Dr. Harbans Lal
11. Sardar Harmohinder Singh Pardhan
12. Shri Ram Lal
13. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed **Shri Chuni Lal Bhagat** as Chairman of the Committee.

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\*Passed away on 23rd June, 2001 and in the vacancy thus caused Ch. Mohan Lal Behram was nominated, as Member of the Committee by the Speaker with effect from 18th July, 2001.

**(II) NOMINATED COMMITTEES****I. BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE****(Nominated under rule 208(1))**

- |   |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
| 1. Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, Speaker | ... <i>Ex Officio</i> Chairman     |
| 2. Shri Madan Mohan Mittal              | Minister for Parliamentary Affairs |
| 3. Capt. Kanwaljit Singh                | Minister for Finance               |
| 4. Ch. Jagjit Singh                     | M.L.A. and Leader of Opposition    |
| 5. Raja Narinder Singh                  | Minister for Public Health         |
| 6. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi           | M.L.A.                             |

**SPECIAL INVITEES**

- |                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| 1. Sardar Sujan Singh            | Minister of State for Rural Development and Panchayats. |
| 2. Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa | M.L.A.  |

## II. COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002

(Nominated under Rule 233)

1. Captain Balbir Singh Bath
2. Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar
3. Sardar Bikramjit Singh Khalsa
4. Shri Chuni Lal
5. Sardar Gurcharan Singh Dirba
6. Bhai Harnirpal Singh
7. Sardar Jatinder Singh Kariha
8. Sardar Makhan Singh
9. Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta
10. Sardar Paramjit Singh
11. Dr. Ram Kumar Goel
12. Sardar Sadhu Singh Brar

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid* the Speaker has appointed **Captain Balbir Singh Bath** as Chairman of the Committee.

**III. COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION  
FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002**

**(Nominated under Rule 240)**

1. Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana
2. Sardar Amarjit Singh Samra
3. Shri Arunesh Shaker
- \*4. Sardar Balbir Singh Nathana
5. Sardar Gardhara Singh
6. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi
7. Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal
8. Shri Om Parkash Soni
9. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura
10. Shri Rakesh Kumar Pandey
11. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi
12. Sardar Sohan Singh Bodal
13. Advocate General, Punjab.

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed **Sardar Gurtej Singh Ghuriana** as Chairman of the Committee.

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\*Passed away on 23rd June, 2001 and in the vacancy thus caused Bibi Jagir Kaur was nominated as Member of the Committee by the Speaker with effect from 23rd July, 2001.

IV. COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES  
FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002

(Nominated under Rule 238)

1. Sardar Manmohan Singh
2. Jathedar Ajaypal Singh Mirankot
3. Shri Avtar Henry
4. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla
5. Shri Harminder Singh Jassi
6. Sardar Jatinder Singh Kariha
7. Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla
8. Shri Om Parkash Soni
9. Sardar Sohan Singh Bodal
10. Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh
11. Sardar Surjit Singh Kohli
12. Sardar Ujagar Singh Rangretta
13. Sardar Vir Singh Lopoke.

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed **Sardar Manmohan Singh** as Chairman of the Committee.

**V. HOUSE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002****(Nominated under Rule 249)**

1. Shri Sat Pal Gosain, ..... *Ex Officio* Chairman  
Deputy Speaker
2. Sardar Dhanwant Singh
3. Sardar Gurdev Singh Sidhu
4. Shri Jagdish Sawhney
5. Sardar Manjit Singh Calcutta
6. Sardar Paramjit Singh
7. Sardar Raj Mohinder Singh
8. Shri Romesh Chander Dogra
9. Sardar Sukhwinder Singh Aulakh.

VI. COMMITTEE ON PAPERS LAID/TO BE LAID ON THE  
TABLE FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002

[Nominated under Rule 251-C (1) and (2)]

1. Shri Jagdish Sawhney
2. Sardar Balbir Singh Bhadaur
3. Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala
4. Shrimati Daljit Kaur
5. Sardar Kanwaljit Singh Lally
6. Sardar Maheshinder Singh Grewal
7. Sardar Malkiat Singh
8. Chaudhry Mohan Lal Behram
9. Chaudhry Nand Lal
10. Shrimati Roop Rani.

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 *ibid*, the Speaker has appointed **Shri Jagdish Sawhney** as Chairman of the Committee.

**VII. COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS FOR THE YEAR 2001-2002**

(Nominated Under Rule 250)

1. Sardar Sital Singh
2. Sardar Hira Singh Gabria
3. Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira
4. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla
5. Shri Jagdish Sawhney
6. Sardar Kartar Singh Pahra
7. Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla
8. Ch. Nand Lal
9. Sardar Prem Singh Lalpura
10. Sardar Ranjit Singh Chhajjalwadi
11. Shri Rakesh Kumar Pandey
12. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra
13. Sardar Tej Parkash Singh

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Sardar Sital Singh as Chairman of the Committee.



## VIII. LIBRARY COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 2000-2001

(Nominated under Rule 248)

1. Bibi Jagir Kaur
2. Sardar Bachan Singh Cheema
3. Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala
4. Sardar Balwant Singh
5. Smt. Daljit Kaur
6. Sardar Harmail Singh Tohra
7. Sardar Kanwaljit Singh Lally
8. Sardar Parminder Singh Dhindsa
9. Shri Ram Lal

Under Rule 184(1) read with Rule 207 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), the Speaker has appointed Bibi Jagir Kaur as Chairman of the Committee.

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## PREFACE

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Monsoon (Twelfth) Session, 2001 held from 21st August, 2001 to 22nd August, 2001 together with the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by Members and others who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above-mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcome.

CHANDIGARH :  
The 5th February, 2002.

NACHHATTAR SINGH MAVI,  
SECRETARY.



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## **1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA**

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an order of the Governor, dated the 30th July, 2001, to meet for its Monsoon (Twelfth) Session in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, at 2.00 P.M. on the 21st August, 2001 and it continued to meet till the 22nd August, 2001 when it adjourned sine-die. It was later prorogued by an order of the Governor dated the 7th September, 2001.

During the Session, the Sabha held two sittings.

## **2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED**

Date	Programme observed
Tuesday, the 21st August, 2001 (2.00 P.M. to 3.11 P.M.)	Obituary references to the deaths of— <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Chaudhary Devi Lal, Former Deputy Prime Minister of India.</li><li>2. Shri K. T. Satarawala, Ex-Governor of Punjab.</li><li>3. Shri Jagan Nath Kaushal, Ex-Union Law Minister.</li><li>4. Sardar Ravel Singh, Ex-Minister, Punjab.</li><li>5. Sardar Balbir Singh Nathana, M.L.A.</li><li>6. Killings of people of a particular community in District Doda (J &amp; K).</li><li>7. 55 Pilgrims of Truck tragedy near Kiratpur Sahib.</li></ol>

Wednesday, the 22nd August, 2001  
(10.00 A.M. to 1.27 P.M.)

i) Presentation and adoption of the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

ii) Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the Assembly sine-die.

(Carried)

iii) The Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2001.

(Passed)

iv) The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 2001.

(Passed)

v) The Punjab Town Improvement (Amendment) Bill, 2001.

(Passed)

vi) The Punjab Recruitment of Multipurpose Health Workers (Female) Bill, 2001.

(Passed)

### 3. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 13th August, 2001, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) :—

1. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
2. Capt. Balbir Singh Bath
3. Sardar Bhag Singh Malha
4. Shri Jagdish Sawhney

#### 4. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on 21.8.2001 :—

1. Chaudhary Devi Lal, Former Deputy Prime Minister of India.
2. Shri K.T. Satarawala, Ex-Governor of Punjab.
3. Shri Jagan Nath Kaushal, Ex-Union Law Minister.
4. Sardar Ravel Singh, Ex-Minister, Punjab.
5. Sardar Balbir Singh Nathana, M.L.A.
6. Killings of people of a particular community in District Doda (J & K).
7. 55 Pilgrims of Truck tragedy near Kiratpur Sahib.

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memories of the deceased on the said occasion.

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#### 5. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on 22.8.2001.

##### I. Official Bills

The Sabha passed four Bills in all (See Table).

##### II. Non-Official Bills

NIL.

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TABLE

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Minister Introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of Consideration	Number of Speeches						Time taken in Minutes						Amendments proposed						Amendments not moved/ withdrawn/held out of order/leave refused						Amendments carried						Total time taken in minutes for the disposal of the Bill	Date of Passing	Remarks
					Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	IND.	Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	IND.	Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	IND.	Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	IND.	Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	IND.			
1.	The Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2001.	Minister for Agriculture	22-8-2001	22-8-2001	1	—	—	—	—	—	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	22-8-2001	—		
2.	The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 2001.	Minister for Agriculture	22-8-2001	22-8-2001	3	—	1	—	—	—	15	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23	22-8-2001	—		
3.	The Punjab Town Improvement (Amendment) Bill, 2001.	Minister for Local Government	22-8-2001	22-8-2001	2	—	—	—	—	—	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	22-8-2001	—		
4.	The Punjab Recruitment of Multipurpose Health Workers (Female) Bill, 2001.	Minister for Health and Family Welfare	22-8-2001	22-8-2001	1	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	22-8-2001	—		



## **6. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA**

- 1. The Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2001.**

(Introduced and passed on the 22nd August, 2001).

This Bill replaces the Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 2001) which was promulgated to enable the State Government to sell the properties belonging to Punjab Mandi Board and to recover the consideration money together with interest accrued thereon.

- 2. The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 2001.**

(Introduced and passed on the 22nd August, 2001).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 2001) which was promulgated to enable the State Government to sell the properties of the State Government and of the Board.

- 3. The Punjab Town Improvement (Amendment) Bill, 2001.**

(Introduced and passed on the 22nd August, 2001).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Town Improvement (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 2001) which was promulgated to enhance the term of office of the Chairmen, Improvement Trusts from two years to four years as the term of two years is too short for any Chairman to conceive and execute development schemes which is a continuous process and it takes a minimum of four years.

- 4. The Punjab Recruitment of Multipurpose Health Workers (Female) Bill, 2001.**

(Introduced and passed on the 22nd August, 2001).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Recruitment of Multipurpose Health Workers (Female) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 2001) which was promulgated to provide relief and remove hardships to those Multipurpose Health Workers (Female), who were selected and appointed on regular basis in pursuance of their selection on the basis of advertisement dated the 12th July, 1992, but whose services were terminated after they had rendered nearly three years service on the ground that their appointments were beyond the advertised posts.



## 7. RESOLUTIONS

## (i) OFFICIAL

Nil

## (ii) NON-OFFICIAL

Sr. No.	Total	Treasury Benches	Unattached	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD (Mann)	Independents
1. Number of Notices received	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
2. Number of Notices admitted	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
3. Number of Notices disallowed	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Number of Resolutions for ballots	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Total number of Resolutions which lapsed on prorogation	Nil							
6. Number of Ballots held	Nil							
7. Date on which business other than Govt. business was transacted.	Nil							
8. Date on which ballot was held	Nil							



## 8. PAPERS LAID

Sr. No.	By whom laid	Date on which laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	Minister for Parliamentary affairs.	22-08-2001	<p data-bbox="827 653 1345 827">1. i) The Punjab Town Improvement (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001, (Punjab Ordinance No. 2 of 2001);</p> <p data-bbox="879 857 1345 1061">ii) The Punjab Recruitment of Multipurpose Health Workers (Female) Ordinance, 2001, (Punjab Ordinance No. 3 of 2001);</p> <p data-bbox="868 1090 1345 1265">iii) The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001, (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 2001); and</p> <p data-bbox="863 1295 1345 1492">iv) The Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Ordinance, 2001, (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 2001),</p> <p data-bbox="863 1521 1345 1589">as required under article 213(2) (a) of the Constitution of India.</p> <p data-bbox="801 1619 1345 1725">2. i) The Punjab State Lottery (First Amendment) Rules, 1999;</p> <p data-bbox="848 1755 1345 1862">ii) The Punjab State Lotteries (First Amendment) Rules, 2000; and</p> <p data-bbox="837 1891 1345 1991">iii) The Punjab State Lottery (First Amendment) Rules, 2001,</p>

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as required under section 12(3)  
of the Lotteries (Regulation)  
Act, 1998.

3. The Punjab Motor Vehicles (Second Amendment) Rules, 2001 as required under Section 212(3) of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.
4. The 7th and 8th Annual Reports of the Punjab State Forest Development Corporation Ltd. for the years 1989-90 and 1990-91, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
5. The Balance Sheets of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation (BACKFINCO) for the years 1996-97 and 1997-98, as required under Section 27(6) of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1976.
6. The 26th Annual Report of the Punjab State Tubewell Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996-97, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
7. The Annual Report of the Punjab State Hosiery & Knitwear Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1994-95, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
8. The 23rd Annual Report of the Punjab State Seeds Corporation Ltd. for the year 1998-99, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
9. The 16th and 17th Annual Reports and Accounts of the Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Ltd.



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for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

10. The 23rd Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. for the year 1996, -97, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
11. The Balance Sheets of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation for the year 1996-97 and 1997-98 and Annual Report for the year 1998-99 of the said Corporation, as required under Section 27(5) of the Punjab Scheduled Castes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1970.
12. The Annual Reports and Accounts of the Punjab Pollution Control Board for the years 1997-98 and 1998-99, as required under Section 39 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974.
13. The Annual Administration Report of the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board for the year 1999-2000, as required under Section 42(2) of the Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board Act, 1976.
14. The Annual Report of the Punjab Health Systems Corporation for the year 1999-2000, as required under Section 21(4) of the Punjab Health Systems Corporation Act, 1996.
15. The Interim Report of the 2nd Punjab Finance Commission about Devolution of the Resources to Panchayats and Municipalities for

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the year 2001-2002 and Explanatory Memorandum as to the action taken on the recommendations made by the 2nd Punjab Finance Commission on the said Reports, as required under Articles 243-I(4) and 243-Y(2) of the Constitution of India and Section 11 of the Punjab Finance Commission for Panchayats and Municipalities Act, 1994.

## 9. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Sr. No.	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
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### I. BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. Speaker		22-8-2001	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
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### II. COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE TO ENQUIRE INTO THE RECRUITMENT OF TEACHERS MADE BY THE PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT

1. Chairman		22-8-2001	Report of the Committee of the House to enquire into the recruitment of the Teachers made by the previous Government (Part II).
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## 10. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject	Remarks/ Decision
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	22-08-2001	21-08-2001	Adoption of recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
2.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	21-08-2001	21-08-2001	Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the House Sine-die.	Carried





**11. CALL ATTENTION NOTICES UNDER RULE 66.**

In all 20 Notices calling attention to matters of urgent public importance were received. Out of these, eight were admitted. Three admitted Notices could not be taken up in the House for not being put. But five admitted Notices could not be taken up in the House because of paucity of time.

The rest were disallowed by the Speaker in his Chamber on one ground or the other.

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## 12. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

Number of speeches made by						Time taken by					
Treasury Benches		Members of INC	Members of CPI	Member of BSP	Independents	Treasury Benches		Members of INC	Members of CPI	Member of BSP	Independents
Members excluding Ministers	Ministers					Members excluding Ministers	Ministers				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
						H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.
3	3	1	2	1	1	0.11	0.24	0.08	0.22	0.12	0.08
27.27	27.27	9.09	18.19	9.09	9.09	12.95	28.23	9.41	25.89	14.11	9.41
Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent

- NOTES:— 1) Observations/Statements, Rulings etc. by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above Statement.
- 2) Question Hour has been excluded from the Statement.
- 3) Time taken on Privilege Motions, Call Attention Notices, Points of Order, Matters raised during Zero Hour, Motions in respect of Legislaton, Congratulatory Speeches, Presentation of Reports and other Papers etc. is also excluded from the Statement.





## 13. FIGURES RELATING TO QUESTIONS

1. Total number of sittings of the Sabha.	2
2. Total number of notices of Questions received—	
STARRED QUESTIONS	57
UNSTARRED QUESTIONS	32
SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS	1
3. Total number of sittings at which Questions were not taken up.	1
4. Total number of Members from whom Notices were received.	15
5. Total number of Questions placed on the Order Paper—	
STARRED QUESTIONS	15
UNSTARRED QUESTIONS	14
SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS	NIL
6. Total number of Starred Questions to which oral answers were given.	9
7. Total number of Starred Questions converted into Unstarred Questions.	NIL
8. Total number of Unstarred Questions replied to.	11
9. Total number of Starred Questions postponed.	2
10. Largest number of Questions addressed to any one Minister (Chief Minister on 22.8.2001)	5
11. Largest number of Questions orally answered by any one Minister (Chief Minister on 22.8.2001)	3

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## 14. QUESTIONS

Type of Questions	No. of Notices received	No. of Admitted Questions	No. of Disallowed/ referred back Questions	No. of Postponed Questions	No. of Questions not put/ not taken up	No. of Questions answered	No. of Starred Questions converted as Unstarred Questions on prorogation	No. of Questions deemed to have been answered under Rule 38	No. of Questions withdrawn	No. of Supplementaries
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Starred Questions	57	40	17	2	—	9	—	4	—	28
Unstarred Questions	32	25	7	3	—	11	—	—	—	—
Short Notice Questions	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—



15. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS ANSWERED,  
DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	S.A.D.	B.J.P.	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	S.A.D.	B.S.P.	INDEPENDENTS	UNATTACHED	TOTAL
					(M)				
22-8-2001	1	1	5	2	—	—	—	—	9



16. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN  
ANSWERED UNDER RULE 38, DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	S.A.D.	B.J.P.	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	S.A.D.	B.S.P.	INDEPENDENTS	UNATTACHED	TOTAL
	(M)								
22-8-2001	2	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	4

THE PUNJAB LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
 1954-55

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF LAND REVENUE  
 FOR THE YEAR 1954-55

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**17. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS IN THE NAMES OF  
DIFFERENT MINISTERS, DATE-WISE**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>Chief Minister</b>	<b>Agriculture Minister</b>	<b>Food &amp; Supplies Minister</b>	<b>Rural Dev. &amp; Panchay- ats Minister</b>	<b>Transport Minister</b>	<b>PWD (B&amp;R) Minister</b>	<b>Health and Family Welfare Minister</b>	<b>Power Minister</b>	<b>Total</b>
22-8-2001	5	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	15



18. STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STARRED QUESTIONS POSTPONED,  
DATE-WISE AND PARTY-WISE

DATE	S.A.D.	B.J.P.	I.N.C.	C.P.I.	S.A.D.(M)	B.S.P.	INDEPENDENTS	UNATTACHED	TOTAL
22-8-2001	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	2



## 19. WALK-OUTS

Sr. No.	Date	Member(s) Walking-out	Occasion
1	2	3	4
1.	22-8-2001	Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria and Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, all Members of S.A.D.	As a protest against not allowing Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira to seek clarification during the Question Hour regarding adjournment of the House <u>sine-die</u> .
2.	22-8-2001	Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla, B.J.P.	As a protest against non-recording of some words during the Question Hour.
3.	22-8-2001	Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla, B.J.P.	As a protest against not having been allowed time to speak in the House.

## 20. DHARNA

Sr. No.	Date	Members sitting in Dharna	Occasion
1	2	3	4
1.	22-8-2001	Sardar Hira Singh Gabria and Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla, S.A.D.	As a protest against not allowing them to speak.

## 21. Unparliamentary/Undesirable Expressions

Sr. No.	Expressions	Occasion	Date
1.	ਇਥੇ ਰੂਲਜ਼ ਦੀਆਂ ਧੱਜੀਆਂ ਉਡ ਰਹੀਆਂ ਹਨ।	(When used with reference to Hon'ble Speaker)	22-8-2001

## APPENDIX I

22. BULLETINS PERTAINING TO MONSOON (TWELFTH)  
SESSION, 2001.

(Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha held during its Twelfth Session, 2001.)

## BULLETIN NO. 1

*Tuesday, the 21st August, 2001*

(From 2.00 p.m. to 3.11 p.m.)

## 1. OBITUARY REFERENCES

The Hon. Chief Minister made reference to the passing away of:—

1. Chaudhary Devi Lal, Former Deputy Prime Minister of India;
2. Shri K.T. Satarawala, ex-Governor, Punjab;
3. Shri Jagan Nath Kaushal, Former Union Law Minister;
4. Sardar Ravel Singh, Ex-Minister, Punjab.
5. Sardar Balbir Singh Nathana, M.L.A;
6. Killings of people of a particular community in District Doda (Jammu & Kashmir);
7. 55 pilgrims victims of truck tragedy near Kiratpur Sahib;

and expressed deep sense of sorrow over the sad demise of said personalities. While paying tributes, he also requested that a message of condolence may be passed and sent to the bereaved families of the deceased.

While doing so, he spoke for 14 minute, Thereafter, the following Hon. Member paid tributes to the departed souls and spoke for the time given against each:—

Sr.No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Chaudhary Jagjit Singh (I.N.C.)	8 minutes
2.	Shri Balramji Das Tandon (Local Govt. and Labour & Employment Minister)	7 "
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (C.P.I.)	14 "
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (B.S.P.)	12 "
5.	Sardar Dhanwant Singh (Independent)	8 "

On a request made by the Hon. Member, Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra for including the name of Shrimati Phoolan Devi, M.P. in the list of obituary references, the Hon. Speaker made an announcement that the name of Smt. Phoolan Devi, M.P. be added in the list of obituary references.

The Hon. Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Hon. Members in the House.

Thereafter, the Hon. Members present in the House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the departed souls.

The House then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Wednesday, the 22nd August, 2001.

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**BULLETIN NO. 2***Wednesday, the 22nd August, 2001***(From 10.00 A.M. to 1.27 P.M.)****1. Walk-Out :**

At the outset, the Hon'ble Members of Shiromani Akali Dal Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria and Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla staged a walkout as a protest against not allowing Sardar Inderjit Singh Zira by the Hon. Speaker during question hour to seek clarification regarding adjournment of the House sine-die,

**2. Questions :****(a) Starred :**

Total No. of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Number of Supplementaries.
15	9	—	2	28

The remaining starred questions on the order paper were deemed to have been answered under Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly)

**(b) Unstarred :..... 14****3. Walk-Out :**

Smt. Laxmi Kanta, Chawla, M.L.A. staged a Walk-Out from the House as a protest against non-recording of some words during the Question Hour.

**4. Announcement by the Hon. Speaker :****(a) Panel of Chairmen :**

The following members were nominated by the Hon'ble Speaker under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly), to serve on the panel of Chairmen :-

- 1) Sardar Avtar Singh Brar;
- 2) Captain Balbir Singh Bath;
- 3) Sardar Bhag Singh Malla;
- 4) Sh. Jagdish Sawhney.

### 5. Announcement by the Secretary :

The Secretary made the following announcement :-

"I place on the Table of the House a statement showing the Bills passed by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Eleventh Session, and which have since been assented to by the Governor".

### 6. Call Attention Notices :

Call Attention Notice No. 1 given notice of by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and Call Attention Notice Nos. 2 and 3 given notice of by Smt. Luxmi Kanta Chawla, were not put in the House by the Members concerned.

### 7. First Report of the Business Advisory Committee :

The Hon'ble Speaker presented the first Report of the Business Advisory Committee before the House regarding the programme to be observed by the Punjab Vidhan Sabha on 22nd August, 2001.

The following motion was moved by the Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs :—

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee".

The motion was put to vote of the House and carried.

### 8. Papers laid on the Table

The Hon'ble Minister for Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table of the House the papers contained in item no 5 of the list of Business at Sr. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 relating to various departments/corporations of the State.

### 9. Presentation of Report :

The Chairman (Sardar Tota Singh, Education Minister) presented to the House the Report of the Committee of the House (Part-II) to enquire into the recruitment of teachers made by the previous Government.

### 10. Motion under Rule 16 :

The Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved the following motion ;—

"That the Vidhan Sabha (Assembly) at its rising this day, shall stand adjourned *sine die*".

The motion was put to vote of the House and carried.

### 11. Dharna :

The Hon. Members Sardar Hira Singh Gabria and Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla sat on a Dharna in the well of the House as a protest for not allowing them to speak in the House.

### 12. Adjournment of the House :

The Hon. Speaker Adjourned the House from 11.36 A.M. till 12.00 noon as the entire Opposition came in the well of the House and created uproar and raised slogans.

### 13. Walk-Out :

Smt. Laxmi Kanta Cnawla, staged a walk-out as a protest against not having been given time to speak in the House.

### 14. Legislative Business :

**(1) The Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Ordinance, 2001**

**(Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 2001)**

**and**

**The Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment, 2001**

**(Replacing Ordinance)**

The resolution notice regarding disapproval of the Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 2001) given by the Hon. Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, was deemed to have been read and moved.

The Hon. Agriculture Minister introduced the Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2001 (Replacing Ordinance) and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

With the consent of the House, it was decided that the resolution disapproving the Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 5 of 2001) given notice of by the Hon'ble Member, Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and the Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2001 be discussed together and motions thereto be put to the vote of the House, separately.

No member rose to speak at that time.

The notice of resolution disapproving the Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Ordinance, 2001 given by Hon. Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi was put to the vote of the House and lost.

The motion, that the Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2001 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### **Sub-Clause 2 of Clause 1**

Sub Clause 2 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Clauses 2 and 3**

Clauses 2 and 3 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Sub Clause 1 of Clause 1**

Sub Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **Title**

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Hon'ble Agriculture Minister moved that the Punjab New Mandi Townships (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2001 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### **(2) The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment)**

#### **Ordinance, 2001**

**(Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 2001)**

**And**

**The Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 2001.**

**(Replacing the Ordinance)**

The motion regarding disapproval of the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 2001) given notice of by Hon'ble member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi was deemed to have been read and moved.

The Agriculture Minister introduced the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 2001 (Replacing the Ordinance) and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

With the consent of the House, it was decided that the motion regarding disapproving the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4

of 2001) given notice of by the Hon. Member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi and the motion regarding Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 2001 (Replacing the Ordinance) be discussed together and motions thereto be put to the House, separately.

Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, Sardar Hira Singh Gabria and Sardar Baldev Singh Khiala, while taking part in the discussion, spoke for 8 minutes, 3 minutes and 3 minutes, respectively. The Hon'ble Agriculture Minister spoke for three minutes, by way of reply.

The notice of resolution disapproving the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 4 of 2001) given by Hon'ble member Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi was put to the vote of the House and lost.

Motion that the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 2001 be taken into consideration at once, was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause;

#### Sub Clause 2 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 2 of clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 & 3

Clauses 2 and 3 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub Clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Agriculture Minister moved that the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 2001 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### (3) The Punjab Town Improvement (Amendment) Bill, 2001

#### (Replacing Ordinance)

The Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister introduced the Punjab Town Improvement (Amendment) Bill, 2001 (Replacing Ordinance) and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Sardar Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal took part in the discussion and spoke for five minutes.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (2) of clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 and 3

Clauses 2 and 3 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub Clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub Clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

The title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Local Government and Labour and Employment Minister moved that the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, 2001 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### (4) The Punjab Recruitment of Multipurpose Health Workers (Female) Bill, 2001.

The Health and Family Welfare Minister introduced the Punjab Recruitment of Multipurpose Health Workers (Female) Bill, 2001 and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Clauses 2 to 6

As there was no amendment, Clauses 2 to 6 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Sub-Clause 1 of Clause 1

Sub-clause 1 of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

## Title

The title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Hon'ble Minister for Health and Family Welfare moved that the Punjab Recruitment of Multipurpose Health Workers (Female) Bill, 2001 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried,

15. Withdrawal of motion passed under Rule 16

On being offered by the Hon'ble Chief Minister to discuss the Water Issue on the floor of the House, the Hon'ble Minister for Food and Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved :

"that the motion regarding adjournment of the House *sine-die* contained in the first Report of the Business Advisory Committee presented to the House today is withdrawn."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and lost

The House then adjourned *sine-die*.

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## APPENDIX II

## 23. COMMITTEE

(Nominated by the Speaker)

## BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

[Nominated under rule 208(1)]

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- |   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal, Speaker | ... Ex-officio Chairman             |
| 2. Shri Madan Mohan Mittal,             | Minister for Parliamentary Affairs. |
| 3. Capt. Kanwaljit Singh,               | Minister for Finance                |
| 4. Ch. Jagjit Singh,                    | MLA. and Leader of Opposition       |
| 5. Raja Narinder Singh,                 | Minister for Public Health          |
| 6. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi,          | MLA.                                |

## SPECIAL INVITEES

- |                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| 1. Sardar Sujan Singh,      | Minister for State for Rural Development & Panchayats |
| 2. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla, | MLA.  |
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# RESUME

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BUSINESS TRANSACTED

BY THE

PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA

DURING

THE WINTER (THIRTEENTH) SESSION, 2001

WITH

APPENDICES CONTAINING DAILY BULLETINS  
AND COMMITTEE OF THE VIDHAN SABHA




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PUNJAB VIDHAN SABHA SECRETARIAT, CHANDIGARH

April, 2002





## **PREFACE**

The following pages contain Resume of Business transacted by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its Winter (Thirteenth) Session, 2001, held from 31st December, 2001 to 1st January, 2002, together with the Bulletins issued daily after the adjournment of each sitting of the Sabha.

2. It is hoped that the publication would be found useful by the Members and others, who may wish to know in detail what work was done each day by the Vidhan Sabha in the above mentioned Session.

3. Any suggestion for further improvement of this publication in future would be very gratefully welcomed.

**CHANDIGARH :**  
The 12th April, 2002

**NACHHATTAR SINGH MAVI,**  
Secretary.

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## 1. SUMMONING, SITTINGS AND PROROGATION OF THE VIDHAN SABHA.

The Eleventh Punjab Vidhan Sabha was summoned by an Order of the Governor, dated the 28th December 2001, to meet for its winter (Thirteenth) Session, 2001 in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha Hall, Vidhan Bhavan, Chandigarh, at 2-30 P.M. on the 31st December, 2001 and it continued to meet till the 1st January, 2002 when it adjourned sine-die. It was later prorogued by an Order of the Governor dated the 23rd January, 2002.

During the Session, the Sabha held two sittings.

## 2. PROGRAMME OBSERVED

Date	Programme observed
Monday, the 31st December, 2001 (2.30 P.M. to 3.11 P.M.)	Obituary references to the deaths of— <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Shri Madhavrao Scindia, M.P. and Former Union Minister.</li><li>2. Sardar Lachhman Singh, Ex-M.L.A.</li><li>3. Killing of Employees/Security personnel due to terrorists attack in the premises of Parliament at New Delhi.</li><li>4. Killing of Employees/Security personnel due to terrorists attack in the Jammu &amp; Kashmir Legislature Complex at Srinagar;</li><li>5. Captain Amar Singh Wadhera, President, Punjab Pradesh Freedom Fighters Association.</li><li>6. Sardar Nazar Singh Didar Singhwala, Freedom Fighter.</li></ol>

7. **Sardar Sadhu Singh,**  
Freedom Fighter.

8. **Dr. Krishan,** Freedom  
Fighter.

**Tuesday, the 1st January, 2002**  
**(10.00 A.M. to 12.31 P.M.)**

i) **Presentation and adoption of  
First Report of the Business  
Advisory Committee.**

ii) **Motion under Rule 16 re-  
garding adjournment of the  
Assembly sine-die.**

**(Carried)**

iii) **Resolution under Article 368  
of the Constitution regarding  
ratification of the amend-  
ments to the Constitution of  
India falling within the pur-  
view of clauses (a) and (d)  
of the proviso to clause (2)  
of article 368, proposed to be  
made by the Constitution  
(91st Amendment) Bill, 2000,  
as passed by both the Houses  
of Parliament.**

**(Carried)**

iv) **The Punjab General Sales  
Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2001.**

**(Passed)**

v) **The Punjab Municipal  
(Amendment) Bill, 2001.**

**(Passed)**

vi) **The Punjab Municipal  
Corporation (Amendment)  
Bill, 2001.**

**(Passed)**

vii) **The Punjab Advocates Wel-  
fare Fund Bill, 2001.**

**(Passed)**

### 3. PANEL OF CHAIRMEN

On the 29th December, 2001, the Speaker nominated the following on the Panel of Chairmen under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (Punjab Legislative Assembly) :—

1. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar
2. Capt. Balbir Singh Bath
3. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla
4. Shri Jagdish Sawhney

### 4. OBITUARY REFERENCES

References to the deaths of the following were made by the Chief Minister and other Members on 31.12.2001.

1. Shri Madhavrao Scindia, M.P. and Former Union Minister.
2. Sardar Lachhman Singh, Ex-M.L.A.
3. Killing of Employees/Security personnel due to terrorists attack in the premises of Parliament at New Delhi.
4. Killing of Employees/Security personnel due to terrorists attack in the Jammu & Kashmir Legislature Complex at Srinagar.
5. Captain Amar Singh Wadhera, President, Punjab Pradesh Freedom Fighters Association.
6. Sardar Nazar Singh Didar Singhwala, Freedom Fighter.
7. Sardar Sadhu Singh, Freedom Fighter.
8. Dr. Krishan, Freedom Fighter

The Speaker associated himself with the sentiments expressed by the Members in the House. All the Members stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the memories of the deceased on the said occasion.

## 5. LEGISLATION

The Sabha transacted Legislative Business on 01.01.2002.

### (i) Official Bills

The Sabha passed four Bills in all (See Table).

### (ii) Non-Official Bills

NIL.

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TABLE

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Minister Introducing	Date of Introduction	Date of Consideration	Number of Speeches						Time taken in Minutes						Amendment Proposed						Amendments not moved/withdrawn/ held out of order/ leave refused						Amendments Carried						Total Time taken in minutes for the disposal of the Bill	Date of Passing	Remarks
					Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	IND	Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	IND	Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	IND	Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	IND	Try.	INC	CPI	BSP	SAD(M)	IND			
1.	The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2001.	Minister of Sate for Excise & Taxation	01-01-2002	01-01-2002	1	—	—	—	—	—	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	01-01-2002	—		
2.	The Punjab Municipal (Amendment) Bill, 2001.	Minister for Local Government	01-01-2002	01-01-2002	3	1	1	1	—	—	40	6	10	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	70	01-01-2002	—		
3.	The punjab Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2001.	Minister for Local Government	01-01-2002	01-01-2002	1	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	01-01-2002	—			
4.	The Punjab Advocates Welfare Fund Bill, 2001.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	01-01-2002	01-01-2002	2	—	1	—	—	—	15	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23	01-01-2002	—			

507-14-20

502-10-15

242-10-10

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## 6. SYNOPSIS OF BILLS PASSED BY THE VIDHAN SABHA

### 1. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2001. (Introduced and Passed on the 1st January, 2002).

This Bill replaces the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 2001) and the Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 2001) which were promulgated to levy surcharge for raising additional resources of revenue as the financial burden on the State had increased manifold due to rendering of financial assistance in the form of pension to senior citizens and disabled persons etc. and providing similar social security measures.

### 2. The Punjab Municipal (Amendment) Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 1st January, 2002).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Municipal (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 9 of 2001) which was promulgated to abolish Octroi except on Electricity and Additional Excise Duty levied in lieu of octroi on liquor.

### 3. The Punjab Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2001. (Introduced and passed on the 1st January, 2002).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 10 of 2001) which was promulgated to abolish Octroi except on Electricity and Additional Excise Duty levied in lieu of octroi on liquor.

### 4. The Punjab Advocates Welfare Fund Bill, 2001.

(Introduced and passed on the 1st January, 2002).

This Bill replaces the Punjab Advocates Welfare Fund Ordinance, 2001 (Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 2001) which was promulgated to provide for the constitution of a fund and utilization thereof for promotion of welfare of the Advocates belonging to the State of Punjab and for the matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

## 7. RESOLUTION

### (i) OFFICIAL

1. The following Official Resolution was moved on the 1st January, 2002 by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs under Article 368 of the Constitution of India --

“This House ratifies the amendments to the Constitution of India falling within the purview of clauses (a) and (d) of the proviso to clause (2) of Article 368, proposed to be made by the Constitution (Ninety-First Amendment) Bill 2000, as passed by the two Houses of Parliament.”

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### (ii) NON OFFICIAL

Nil

## 8. PAPERS LAID

Sr. No.	By whome laid	Date on which laid	Subject
1	2	3	4
1.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	01-01-2002	1. i) The Punjab Advocates Welfare Fund Ordinance, 2001; (Punjab Ordinance No. 6 of 2001) ii) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 ; (Punjab Ordinance No. 7 of 2001). iii) The Punjab General Sales Tax (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 ; (Punjab Ordinance No. 8 of 2001).

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iv) The Punjab Municipal (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 ;

(Punjab Ordinance No. 9 of 2001) and

v) The Punjab Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Ordinance, 2001 ;

(Punjab Ordinance No. 10 of 2001)

as required under Article 213(2)(a) of the Constitution of India.

2. The Constitution (Ninety-First Amendment) Bill, 2000, as passed by the Houses of Parliament.

3. The Annual Report and Balance Sheet of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation (BACKFINCO) for the years 1997-98 and 1998-99 respectively, as required under Section 27(6) of the Punjab Backward Classes Land Development and Finance Corporation Act, 1976.

4. The Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation for the year 1999-2000, as required under Section 23(6) of the Punjab Ex-Servicemen Corporation ~~Act~~, 1978.

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5. The Annual Report of the Punjab State Human Rights Commission for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 28 of the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993.
6. The 24th Annual Report of the Punjab State Civil Supplies Corporation Ltd. (PUNSUP) for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
7. The Annual Reports of the Punjab Police Housing Corporation Ltd. for the years 1998-99 and 1999-2000, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.
8. The Annual Statement of Accounts of the Punjab State Electricity Board for the year 1999-2000, alongwith Statement showing the objects and reasons for laying the said Statement, as required under Section 69(5) of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
9. The Annual Report of the Punjab Urban Planning and Development Authority for the year 1997-98, as required under Section 54(2) of the Punjab Regional and Town Planning and Development Act, 1995.
10. The 35th Annual Report of the Punjab Poultry Development Corporation Ltd. for the year 1998-99, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

11. The Audit Report on the Accounts of Punjab Financial Corporation for the year ended 31st March, 1999 submitted by the Accountant General (Audit) Punjab under Section 37(6) of the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951.
12. The Statement showing the reasons for delay in laying the Annual Accounts of the Punjab Small Industries and Export Corporation Ltd. for the years 1998-99 and 1999-2000.
13. The 24th Annual Report of the Punjab State Electronics Development and Production Corporation Ltd. for the year 1999-2000, as required under Section 619-A of the Companies Act, 1956.

## 9. REPORTS PRESENTED/LAID

Sr. No.	By whom presented/laid	Date on which presented/laid	Subject
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### BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1.	Speaker	01.01.2002	First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.
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1. The first of the three  
main objects of the  
Government of India is  
to maintain law and order  
in the country. This is  
the first and foremost  
duty of the Government.

2. The second object is  
to promote the economic  
development of the country.  
This is the second most  
important duty of the  
Government.

3. The third object is  
to improve the social  
conditions of the country.  
This is the third most  
important duty of the  
Government.

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## 10. OTHER MOTIONS

Sr. No.	Minister/Member moving	Moved on	Discussed on	Subject	Remarks/ Decision
1.	Speaker	01-01-2002	01-01-2002	Adoption of the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee.	Carried
2.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs	01-01-2002	01-01-2002	Motion under Rule 16 regarding adjournment of the House Sine-die.	Carried

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## 11. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SPEECHES MADE AND TIME TAKEN

Number of Speeches made by							Time taken by						
Treasury Benches		Members of INC	Members of CPI	Member of BSP	Member of SAD(M)	Independents.	Treasury Benches		Members of INC	Members of CPI	Member of BSP	Member of SAD (M)	Independents
Members excluding Ministers	Ministers						Members excluding Ministers	Ministers					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
							H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.	H.M.
1	5	2	3	2	—	—	0.01	0.51	0.13	0.28	0.20	—	—
7.70	38.47	15.38	23.07	15.38	—	—	0.89	45.13	11.50	24.78	17.70	—	—
Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent

NOTES :—1) Observations/Statements, Rulings etc. by the Chair and time taken thereon are not included in the above Statement.

2) Question Hour has been excluded from the Statement.

3) Time taken on Privilege Motions, Call Attention Notices, Points of Order, Matters raised during Zero Hour, Motions in respect of Legislation, Congratulatory Speeches, Clarification given by the Advocate General, Presentation of Reports and other Papers etc. is also excluded from the Statement.

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## 12. WALK-OUTS

S. No.	Date	Member(s) Walking-Out	Occasion
1	2	3	4
1.	1.1.2002	All the Members of the Congress Party, present in the House.	As a protest for not giving sufficient time to Sardar Avtar Singh Brar to speak.
2.	1.1.2002	Both the Members of the C.P.I.	As a protest against Government's attitude regarding not clarifying the position on an issue raised by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi.
3.	1.1.2002	Smt. Laxmi Kanta Chawla, Bharatiya Janata Party.	As a protest against not having been provided the replies of Questions given notice of by her during the Previous Session.



### 13. UNPARLIAMENTARY/UNDESIRABLE EXPRESSION

Sr. No.	Expression	Occasion	Date
2.	ਉਸ ਵਿਚ ਬੁਹਾਡੀਆਂ 24 ਕਰਤੂਤਾਂ ਚਿੱਤੀਆਂ ਹਨ ।	(When used with reference to the Ruling Party.)	1.1.2002

## APPENDIX-I

14. BULLETINS PERTAINING TO WINTER  
(THIRTEENTH) SESSION, 2001

[Containing brief record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha held during its Winter (Thirteenth) Session, 2001.]

Bulletin No.: 1

Monday, the 31st December, 2001  
(from 2:30 P.M. to 3:11 P.M.)

**Obituary References:**

The Hon. Finance Minister made reference to the passing away of :-

1. Shri Madhav Rao Scindia, M.P. and Former Union Minister.
2. Sardar Lachhman Singh, Ex-M.L.A.;
3. Killing of Employees/Security personnel due to terrorists attack in the premises of Parliament at New Delhi;
4. Killing of Employees/Security personnel due to terrorists attack in the Jammu & Kashmir Legislature Complex at Srinagar; and
5. Captain Amar Singh Wadhera, President, Punjab Pradesh Freedom Fighters Association.

While paying tributes to these great personalities, he expressed deep grief and sorrow on their passing away and also made a suggestion that a condolence resolution be passed by the House at the sad demise of the said personalities and that copies thereof be sent to the bereaved families of the deceased.

While doing so, he spoke for 5 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Hon. Members paid rich tributes to the departed souls and spoke for the time given against each :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Hon. Member	Time
1.	Shri Balramji Das Tandon (Local Govt. & Labour and Employment Minister)	05 Minutes
2.	Shri Romesh Chander Dogra (Indian National Congress)	07 Minutes
3.	Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (Communist Party of India)	10 Minutes
4.	Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra (Bahujan Samaj Party)	06 Minutes



On being requested by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs for including the names of Sardar Nazar Singh Didar Singhwala, Sardar Sadhu Singh and Doctor Krishan, Freedom Fighters, in the list of Obituary References, the Hon. Speaker made an announcement that names of these great personalities be also included in this list.

The Hon. Speaker also associated himself with the feelings expressed by the Hon. Members in the House on the said demise of the aforesaid personalities.

Thereafter, the Hon. Members present in the House stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to the departed souls.

The House then adjourned till 10.00 A.M., Tuesday, the 1st January, 2002.

#### BULLETIN NO. : 2

*Tuesday, the 1st January, 2002*

(From 10.00 A.M. to 12.31 P.M.)

#### 1. GOOD WISHES BY THE HON. SPEAKER ON THE OCCASION OF NEW YEAR

The Hon. Speaker congratulated the Hon. Members and representatives of press, present in the House, on the auspicious occasion of the New Year-2002 and prayed before the Almighty that New Year may bring happiness for all. He also requested the Hon. Members to avoid use of any provocative language and maintain cordial atmosphere in this August House since it is the last Session of the 11th Vidhan Sabha.

#### 2. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE HON. SPEAKER:

The following Members were nominated by the Hon. Speaker on the Panel of Chairmen under Rule 13(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Punjab Vidhan Sabha (*Punjab Legislative Assembly*) :-

1. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar;
2. Sardar Balbir Singh Bath;
3. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla; and
4. Shri Jagdish Sawhney.

### 3. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY :

The Secretary made the following Announcement :-

"I place on the Table of the House a Statement showing the Bills passed by the Eleventh Vidhan Sabha during its twelfth Session, and which have since been assented to by the Governor".

### 4. CONGRATULATORY SPEECHES BY THE HON. MEMBERS:

The Hon. Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs informed the House that the Hon. Speaker has been elected as the Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association. He congratulated the Hon'ble Speaker on account of such an important achievement and, while doing so, he spoke for 5 minutes.

Thereafter, the following Hon. Members also congratulated the Hon. Speaker :-

- \* Captain Kanwaljit Singh, Finance & Planning Minister;
- \* Sardar Avtar Singh Brar (I.N.C.);
- \* Shri Balramji Das Tandon (Local Government and Labour & Employment Minister);
- \* Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (C.P.I.); and
- \* Sardar Ajit Inder Singh Mofar (Shiromani Akali Dal-Mann).

### 5. FIRST REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE :

The Hon. Speaker presented the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee before the House.

"That this House agrees with the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Business Advisory Committee."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 6. MOTION UNDER RULE 16 :

The Hon. Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved that :

"The Vidhan Sabha, on its rising this day, shall stand adjourned sine die."

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

### 7. WALK-OUTS :

1. As a protest for not giving sufficient time to Sardar Avtar Singh Brar to speak on an issue raised by him during Zero hour,

all the Members of Congress party, present in the House, staged a walk out.

2. Both the Members of C.P.I. staged a walkout as a protest against Government's stand for not clarifying the position on an issue raised by Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi.

3. Shrimati Laxmi Kanta Chawla staged a walk out during the Zero Hour as a protest against not having been provided the replies of Questions given notice of by her during the previous Sessions, Suspension of Question Hour from the business of Vidhan Sabha and expunction of some of the words spoken by her from the proceedings of the House.

#### 8. PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE :

Hon'ble Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs laid on the Table of the House various papers relating to different Departments/Corporations mentioned at serial nos. 1 to 13 in item no. III of the List of Business.

#### 9. RESOLUTION UNDER ARTICLE 368 OF THE CONSTITUTION :

Hon'ble Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs moved that this House ratifies the amendments to the Constitution of India falling within the purview of clauses (a) and (d) of the proviso to clause (2) of Article 368, proposed to be made by the Constitution (91st Amendment) Bill, 2000, as passed by both the Houses of Parliament.  
The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously,

#### 10. LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS :

##### 1. The Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2001.

*(Replacing the Ordinance)*

The Hon'ble Minister of State for Excise and Taxation introduced the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2001 *(Replacing the Ordinance)* and moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1.

Sub-clause (2) of clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

Clauses 2 to 5.

As there was no amendment <sup>to</sup> clauses 2 to 5, <sup>these were put</sup> to the vote of the House together, with the consent of House, and carried.

#### Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### Title

Title was put to the vote of the House and carried.

The Minister of State for Excise and Taxation moved that the Punjab General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2001 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

#### 2. The Punjab Municipal (Amendment) Bill, 2001

*(Replacing the Ordinance)*

The Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment introduced the Punjab Municipal (Amendment) Bill, 2001 (*Replacing Ordinance*) and also moved that the bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each:—

1. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi, (C.P.I)	10 Minutes
2. Shri Shingara Ram Sahungra, (B.S.P.)	14 "
3. Sardar Avtar Singh Brar, (I.N.C)	06 "
4. Sardar Jagtar Singh Rajla (S.A.D)	01 "
5. Jathedar Tota Singh, Education Minister	02 "

The Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment, by way of reply, spoke for 34 Minutes.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (2) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### Clauses 2 and 3

As there was no amendment to Clauses 2 and 3, these were put to the vote of the House together and carried unanimously.

#### Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment moved that the Punjab Municipal (Amendment) Bill, 2001 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### 3. The Punjab Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2001

#### (Replacing the Ordinance)

The Hon'ble Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment introduced the Punjab Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2001 (*Replacing the Ordinance*) and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

#### Sub-clause (2) of Clause-I

Sub-clause (2) of Clause-I was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

### Clauses 2 and 3

As there was no amendment to Clauses 2 and 3, these were put to the vote of the House together, with the consent of the House, and carried unanimously.

#### Sub-clause (1) of Clause-I

Sub-clause (1) of Clause 1 was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

#### Title

The Title was put to the vote of House and carried unanimously.

The Honourable Minister for Local Government and Labour & Employment moved that the Punjab Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2001 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**4. The Punjab Advocates Welfare Fund Bill, 2001**  
(Replacing the Ordinance)

The Honourable Minister for Food & Supplies and Parliamentary Affairs introduced the Punjab Advocates Welfare Fund Bill, 2001 (Replacing the Ordinance) and also moved that the Bill be taken into consideration at once.

The following Hon. Members took part in the discussion and spoke for the time given against each:—

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| 1. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi (C.P.I)      | 08 Minutes |
| 2. Sardar H.S. Mattewal (Advocate General) | 05 Minutes |

The Honourable <sup>Minister</sup> ~~Minister~~ for Parliamentary Affairs, by way of reply, spoke for 5 Minutes.

The Motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

Thereafter, the Bill was considered clause by clause.

**Sub-clause (2) of Clause I**

Sub-clause (2) of Clause I was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Clauses 2 to 30**

As there was no amendment to clauses 2 to 30, these were put to the vote of House together, with the consent of the House, and carried unanimously.

**Schedule**

The Schedule was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Sub-clause (1) of Clause I**

Sub-clause (1) of Clause I was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

**Title**

The Title was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The Hon. Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Punjab Advocates Welfare Fund Bill, 2001 be passed.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried unanimously.

The House then adjourned *sine-die*.

## APPENDIX-II

## 15. COMMITTEE

Nominated by the Speaker

## BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(Nominated under Rule 208(1))

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|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Sardar Charnjit Singh Atwal,<br>Speaker | ...Ex-Officio Chairman                |
| 2. Shri Madan Mohan Mittal,                | Minister for Parliamentary<br>Affairs |
| 3. Capt. Kanwaljit Singh,                  | Minister for Finance                  |
| 4. Ch. Jagjit Singh,                       | MLA and Leader of the<br>Opposition   |
| 5. Raja Narinder Singh,                    | Minister for Public Health            |
| 6. Comrade Hardev Singh Arshi,             | MLA                                   |

## SPECIAL INVITEES

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|-----------------------------|--|
| 1. Sardar Sujan Singh,      | Minister of State for Rural<br>Development & Panchayats. |
| 2. Sardar Bhag Singh Malla, | MLA.   |
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